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#### HAVE YOU BEEN ON THE BUS?

The 'Nestest Development of the Year' award has got to go to the COMMODORE PET computer for its use of the IEEE 488 (GPIB) General Purpose Interface Bus for all communication I/O. Although the bus is somewhat difficult to understand, at first, the real advantage of utilizing this method of I/O handling becomes apparent when you consider that only one piece of interface hardware and one software driver routine can handle up to 15 different devices at varying data transfer rates.

This clearly indicates what we can expect in future 'personal' computers as it fits in so neatly with the concept of distributed intelligence in system design.

I feel certain that other equipment manufacturers will follow suit and adopt this bus into new gear, but, in any case, it will be quite interesting to see what develops in this area.

Has anyone interfaced KIM to the IEEE Bus? Would you be interested in a tutorial article on the basic concepts of the bus? If I can find the time, I'll try to get something together for the next issue.

ERIC

A FLOPPY DISC FOR KIM.....(finally)  
-the editor-

I used to dream of the day when I'd be able to hook KIM up to a floppy disc! Now, at work anyway, my dream has come true!!!

A company called HDE in New Jersey has interfaced KIM to a SYKES disc/controller combination and has written some neat software to make the whole thing work together like a system, not like a bunch of parts thrown together.

The operating system is file oriented (like some high-class mag-tape systems you've probably heard about) and includes a version of the MOS assembler/editor as an integral part. Assembly language programmers will really appreciate the ability to work with named object and source files. The ability to load a 6K source file in less than a half a second really made it clear what a time saver this system could be. (Without the disc, it works out to about one-third to one-fourth time being wasted just waiting for slow tape being read or written to)

The Editor has actually been spruced up a bit from its original form and makes the system quite easy to operate as well as being quite powerful in function.

FODS, as it's called requires the top 8K of RAM for its storage, and is bootstrapped in via a short program that is easily loaded in via tape.

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#### HARDWARE REVIEW

BY THE EDITOR

#### MEMORY-PLUS FROM THE COMPUTERIST

Sooner or later, the question of memory expansion enters the minds of most KIM users. Here's another alternative from the same folks who brought us PLEASE (a play package), HELP (a work package), and MICRO (a newsletter dedicated entirely to machines of the 6502 genre).

The thing that really interested me was the way this board was configured. Besides having an 8K block of RAM, MEMORY-PLUS includes sockets for 8K of Intel 2716 EPROM, a complete programming facility for the 2716, and the MOS Technology 6522 VIA (Versatile Interface Adaptor). I prefer to call it the VVIA (VERY VERSATILE INTERFACE ADAPTOR). I'm sure you'd agree after studying the 24 page spec sheet that accompanies this device.

But back to MEMORY-PLUS....

The built-in 2716 programmer requires the user to supply +25 volts, but this can be gotten easily from three 9 volt transistor batteries hooked up in series. The programming software is, of course, included as is a memory test program and a 60 page manual.

Since MEMORY-PLUS is the same size and shape as KIM, it can be mounted directly beneath the KIM by means of 1" stand-offs. Hardware was provided for this purpose, but it proved unsatisfactory so suitable stand-offs were found elsewhere. Rubber feet are included to protect the bottom of the board and an optional set of pre-wired connectors is available to speed up assembly time. By the way, MEMORY-PLUS comes fully assembled, tested and includes a 90 day warranty, (just like KIM). All IC's are socketed and battery backup of the RAM is provided for, if needed.

It's really quite impressive to have all this power in so small a package. The next step is to get an assembler/editor and extended I/O monitor "burned" into a few 2716's and turn this two-board machine loose as a low-cost development system.

About the only negative comment I can make about MEMORY-PLUS is that further memory expansion could be slightly difficult. Definitely not just a matter of plugging in another board. This may not be a disadvantage in certain applications, but should be considered.

MEMORY-PLUS costs \$245.00 and is available from:  
The COMPUTERIST, P.O. Box 3, S. Chelmsford, Ma. 01824  
617-256-3649. Get their catalog of other KIM products.

ALL THE PROGRAMS FROM THE FIRST BOOK OF KIM ARE NOW AVAILABLE ON A CASSETTE. EACH CASSETTE IS RECORDED IN THE NORMAL KIM TAPE SPEED ON A HIGH QUALITY TAPE. THE PRICE OF \$18.00 INCLUDES SHIPPING AND HANDLING ANYWHERE IN NORTH AMERICA. DEALER INQUIRIES WELCOME. YOUR ORDER SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY CASH, CHECK, OR MONEY ORDER. NO PURCHASE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNLESS YOUR CHECK IS INCLUDED.

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The following program utilizes the now famous driver circuit on page 57 of the Kim U.S. Manual. Although it is set up to provide the sound of four phaser bursts, it can easily be modified in a number of ways to provide all kinds of neat sounding effects.

Location 201 sets no. of repeats (00 to FF).

Location 207 in conjunction with 209 set the length of tone before increment/decrement 207 (00 to FF); 209 (04 to 07).

One interesting variation is to load: 203 with FF

21d with c6 (dec)

222 with 00

Among other sounds you should be able to make a "Bomb Drop Whistle" and a "Rad Alert" condition.

The program is relocatable and uses one page zero location (EE). The program could also easily be converted to a subroutine leaving you no excuse for not adding sound effects to your next program.

R2D2-Eat your heart out!

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200 A0 04 LDY #04
202 A9 00 LDY #00
204 85 EE STA EE
206 A9 01 LDA #01
208 8D 06 17 STA 1706
208 A9 01 LDA #01
20D 8D 01 17 STA 1701
210 EE 00 17 INC 1700
213 A6 EE LDX (EE)
215 CA DEX
216 D0 FD BNE 1
218 2C 07 17 BIT 1707
21B 10 F3 BPL 2
21D E6 EE INC (EE)
21F A5 EE LDA EE
221 C9 FF CMP #FF
223 F0 02 BEQ 3
225 D0 DF BNE 4
227 88 DEY
228 F0 02 BEQ 5
22A D0 DA BNE 4
22C 4C 4F 1C JMP 1C4F

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EDITOR'S NOTE: I've been having great fun with this routine. All kinds of sounds are possible and the program can be easily integrated into most any game program-see Butterfield's SKEET SHOOT program elsewhere in this issue.

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SKEET SHOOT September/77 Jim Butterfield, Toronto

Start the program and you'll see targets racing across the screen from right to left. You don't have to fire at any of them .. but if you do, remember that you must 'lead off' your shot to give the bullet time to reach the target. You have 20 shots; shoot by hitting any numbered button. You'll see the bullet move from right to left, too. If you hit the target, you'll see the explosion. After 20 shots, KIM will tell you the number of hits you made; then you can press G0 for another game.

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0200 A2 00 START LDX #0 reset hit counts
0202 86 F9 STX HITS
0204 86 FA STX POINTL
0206 86 FB STX POINTH
0208 A9 13 LDA #13 19+1 shots
020A 85 D0 STA SHOTS
020C CA DEX
020D 86 D1 STX BULLET ..no bullet, and
020F 86 D2 STX TARGET ..no target
0211 A5 D2 LDA TARGET is there a target?
0213 10 0D BPL FLIGHT yes, continue
0215 AD 04 17 LDA TIMER no, make random target
0218 29 3F AND #3F not too slow..
021A 09 0C ORA #0C ...and not too fast

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021E 29 0B AND #3B place off screen
0220 85 D2 STA TARGET ..in random position
0222 C6 D4 FLIGHT DEC TARSPD count down delay
0224 D0 06 BNE SIGHT time to move target?
0226 A5 D3 LDA SPEED yes, restore count down
0228 85 D4 STA TARSPD
022A C6 D2 DEC TARGET move the target
022C A5 D1 SIGHT LDA BULLET is bullet in flight?
022E 30 06 BMI CLEA no, skip bullet move
0230 C6 D5 DEC BULSPD count down delay
0232 D0 06 BNE CLEAR time to move bullet?
0234 C6 D1 DEC BULLET yes, move it
0236 A9 08 CLEA LDA #8 reset..
0238 85 D5 STA BULSPD ..countdown
023A D8 CLEAR CLD
023B 20 40 1F JSR KEYIN directional registrs
023E 20 6A 1F JSR GETKEY test keyboard
0241 C5 D6 CMP LAST same key?
0243 F0 12 BEQ TRIG yes, skip key action
0245 85 D6 STA LAST keep new key ID
0247 C9 10 CMP #10 numeric key?
0249 B0 0C BCS TRIG no, skip key action
024B A5 D1 LDA BULLET bullet already in flite?
024D 10 08 BPL TRIG yes, don't fire
024F A2 06 LDX #6 position bullet right
0251 86 D1 STX BULLET
0253 86 D7 STX STRIKE no hit yet
0255 C6 D0 DEC SHOTS one less shot left
0257 A9 7F TRIG LDA #7F set direct registrs
0259 8D 41 17 STA PADD
025C A2 05 LDX #5 show six digits
025E A0 13 LDY #13 set digit #6
0260 A9 00 LITE LDA #0 start with digit blank
0262 E4 D1 CPX BULLET ..if bullet in this spot
0264 D0 03 BNE NOBUL
0266 BD B0 02 LDA BTAB,X ..put in in segment
0268 E4 D2 NOBUL CPX TARGET ..if target in this spot
026B D0 02 BNE NOTARG
026D 49 21 EOR #21 add target segments
026F C9 20 NOTARG CMP #20 a hit?
0271 D0 10 BNE SHINE no, skip ahead
0273 A5 D7 LDA STRIKE have we counted it?
0275 30 0C BMI SHINE yes, skip
0277 F8 18 SED CLC no, count it
0279 A5 F9 LDA HITS
027B 69 01 ADC #1 .. in decimal
027D 85 F9 STA HITS
027F A9 FF LDA #FFF explosion display
0281 85 D7 STA STRIKE .. set counted flag
0283 8D 40 17 SHINE STA SAD
0286 8C 42 17 STY SBD
0289 C6 D8 ZAP DEC ZIP
028B D0 FC BNE ZAP
028D 88 88 CA DEY DEY DEX
0290 10 CE BPL LITE more digits?
0292 C9 FF CMP #FFF explosion?
0294 D0 04 BNE ENTES no, skip next
0296 A5 D4 LDA TARSPD delay..
0298 85 D5 STA BULSPD ..display
029A A5 D1 ENTES LDA BULLET shot complete, and..
029C 25 D0 AND SHOTS ..last shot?
029E 30 03 BMI QUIT yes, show score
02A0 4C 11 02 JMP MAIN no, keep going
02A3 20 1F 1F QUIT JSR SCANDS show score;
02A6 20 6A 1F JSR GETKEY test keyboard for
02A9 C9 13 CMP #13 ..GO key
02AB D0 F6 BNE QUIT if not keep going
02AD 4C 00 02 JMP START if GO start over
02B0 01 40 08 BTAB .BYTE 1,$40,8,8,8,8
02B3 08 08 08
02B6 end

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# "KIM D-BUG" by Lew Edwards

Want to eliminate the job of replacing an opcode with a BRK instruction, looking at each register separately, doing a conversion on the "P" register to find out which flags are set and how to change them, then restoring the opcode and setting a new break in place? "KIM D-BUG" can eliminate all that hassle for you! It lets you see the X, Y, & ACC registers at a single glance and select the one you want to alter with the stroke of a single key. Another keystroke shows all the flags in binary form, and permits toggling individual flags with the keys A thru F. You can jump from "KIM D-BUG" to KIM monitor and back at your pleasure, with full access to all monitor functions. "KIM D-BUG" automatically inserts the BRK opcode and the restores the original opcode when the break has executed, making a simple operation of the whole business.

To use "KIM D-BUG", start at 0100 and press "GO". Nothing happened? The IRQ and NMI vectors have been changed to the ones "KIM D-BUG" needs and you are now back in the monitor. Put your starting address into 00EF & 00F0 (low order first as usual), press "PC" and verify that this address is now in the program counter. Press "ST" and you will see KIM substitute 00 for the opcode at that address, then restore the original. You are now in the "KIM D-BUG" mode and will have a new set of responses to the keys. Press "DA" and you will see X register contents on the left, Y register contents in the center, and ACC register contents on the right. You may now alter the contents of the ACC register via the HEX keys. If you press "+" or "GO", the display will remain the same, but the HEX keys will now alter the Y or X register respectively. Press "PC" and the display will switch to 1's and 0's indication flag conditions in order from left to right C,Z,V,I,N,D. Keys A thru F will set or reset the flags in the same order.

OK, got your initial values keyed in? Now press "AD", which causes a switch to KIM's monitor. Key in the address you want the break to occur and press "ST". You will see your START address displayed briefly, and then your BREAK address. Your program has now run from the first location to the second. If you want to return from the monitor to "KIM D-BUG" instead, you simply press the "PC" key, then "ST". The START and STOP will be the same and your program will stop before it gets started (KIM D-BUG runs from PCL,H to POINTL,H), but you would be in "KIM D-BUG" mode.

Let "KIM D-BUG" help you find those elusive BUGS-----HAPPY HUNTING!

0100 A9 01	START	LDA #01	initialize interrupt vectors
0102 8D FB 17		STA NMII	
0105 8D FF 17		STA IRQH	
0108 A9 15		LDA #15	
010A 8D FA 17		STA NMIL	
010D A9 34		LDA #32	
010F 8D FE 17		STA IRQL	
0112 4C 16 1C	NOGO	JMP NOSAV	jump to monitor here
0115 A5 F9	NMIGO	LDA INH	"ST" key starts things here
0117 F0 P9		BEQ NOGO	won't run with BRK opcode
0119 85 ED		STA CODE	save valid breakpoint opcode
011B A9 00		LDA #00	
011D A8		TAY	no offset for index
011E 91 FA		STA POINT,Y	substitute BRK opcode
0120 85 EE		STA HOLD	delay count
0122 A5 EF		LDA PCL	move 'from' address to window
0124 85 FA		STA POINTL	
0126 A5 F0		LDA PCH	
0128 85 FB		STA POINTH	
012A 20 19 1F	LOOK	JSR SCAND	show it and stall a bit
012D C6 EE		DEC HOLD	
012F D0 F9		BNE LOOK	
0131 4C C8 1D	IRQGO	JMP GOEXEC	then run program
0134 85 F3		STA ACC	BREAK TIME!
0136 68		PLA	save the registers in standard
0137 85 F1		STA PREG	locations just like KIM
0139 68		PLA	
013A 85 EF		STA PCL	
013C 68		PLA	
013D 85 F0		STA PCH	
013F 84 F4		STY YREG	
0141 86 F5		STX XREG	
0143 BA		TSX	
0144 86 F2		STX SPUSER	
0146 A9 02		LDY #02	

0148 A5 EF	BAK2	LDA PCL	back up PC 2 counts
014A D0 02		BNE NOPAGE	skip next if not page border
014C C6 F0		DEC PCH	
014E C6 EF	NOPAGE	DEC PCL	
0150 88		DEY	
0151 D0 F5		BNE BAK2	
0153 A5 ED		LDA CODE	put opcode back where it belongs
0155 91 EF		STA PCL,IY	
0157 A5 EF	STOP	LDA PCL	transfer PC address to POINTER
0159 85 FA		STA POINTL	
015B A5 F0		LDA PCH	
015D 85 FB		STA POINTH	
015F D8		CLD	binary mode for keys
0160 20 19 1F		JSR SCAND	show break address
0163 20 6A 1F		JSR GETKEY	& get keyboard input
0166 C9 14		CMP #14	PC key?
0168 F0 2B		BEQ FLAGS	yes, show flags
016A B0 EB		BCS STOP	too high, try again
016C C9 10		CMP #10	AD key?
016E F0 A2		BEQ NOGO	KIM takes over
0170 90 E1		BCC STOP	hex, try again
0172 85 FD		STA INDEX	use DA, + or GO as index value
0174 A2 03	MOVE	LDX #03	
0176 B5 F2	MOVL	LDA REG,X	move X, Y, & ACC registers
0178 95 F8		STA POINT,X	to window
017A CA		DEX	
017B D0 F9		BNE MOVL	
017D 20 BF 01		JSR PUSH	show 'em & get a key
0180 C9 10		CMP #10	not a hex key?
0182 B0 D3		BCS STOP	change mode
0184 A6 FD		LDX INDEX	which register?
0186 16 E2		ASL REG,X	update it
0188 16 E2		ASL REG,X	
018A 16 E2		ASL REG,X	
018C 16 E2		ASL REG,X	shift out the old
018E 15 E2		ORA REG,X	add in the new
0190 95 E2		STA REG,X	
0192 38		SEC	
0193 B0 DF		BCS MOVE	& put it in the window
0195 A5 F1	FLAGS	LDA PREG	load flags
0197 4A		LSR	shift C flag to carry
0198 29 67		AND #67	mask unwanted bits
019A 90 02		BCC BICON	
019C 09 10		ORA #10	replace the carry flag in new location
019E A2 03	BICON	LDX #03	
01A0 48	BILP	PHA	save accumulator
01A1 29 11		AND #11	2 flags at a time in binary
01A3 95 F8		STA POINT,X	stick 'em in the window
01A5 68		PLA	recover accumulator
01A6 4A		LSR A	next pair
01A7 CA		DEX	
01A8 D0 F6		BNE BILP	til done
01AA 20 BF 01	LITE	JSR PUSH	show & key time
01AD C9 10		CMP #10	hex key?
01AF B0 A6		BCS STOP	no, change mode
01B1 C9 0A		CMP #0A	decimal?
01B3 90 F5		BCC LITE	keep trying
01B5 AA		TAX	alpha, use as index value
01B6 BD C3 01		LDA TABLE,X	bit to flip in PREG
01B9 45 F1		EOR PREG	flip it
01BB 85 F1		STA PREG	
01BD B0 D6		BCS FLAGS	& to the window
SUBROUTINE "PUSH"			
01BF 20 1F 1F	PUSH	JSR SCANDS	key down?
01C2 D0 FB		BNE PUSH	wait
01C4 20 1F 1F	KEY	JSR SCANDS	next key?
01C7 F0 FB		BEQ KEY	no, keep looking
01C9 20 6A 1F		JSR GETKEY	yes, which one?
01CC 60		RTS	take it back

01CD 61 02 10 14 002  
01CD 01 02 00 00 00 00  
TABLE "BIT FLIPPERS" reference address 01C3  
BYTES

GRAPHICS INTERFACE from... Roy Flacco, Drexel Univ., Physics Dept.,  
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Here's the graphics interface I told you about. It has gone through a number of revisions (hence the delay in getting it to you) but I think it is worth it. The whole thing sets up with plenty of room on a 4x6 perfboard, hardly loads the KIM lines at all (everything is buffered), outputs to almost any standard oscilloscope, and costs well under \$30.

Basically the interface accepts two 8-bit parallel words (one at a time from FA0-FA7), latches them alternately into two 8-bit data buffers (U1,U2), converts them into two positive analog voltages (via U3,U4) which are directly proportional to the data words so that 00hex= 0.0 volts, and FFhex= 2.56 volts, and presents these voltages for presentation as an X-Y point on a scope CRT.

PB0 is used to latch the data—a positive transition latches the data into the X buffer, a negative transition latches the data into the Y buffer. The best way to do this is initialize PB0 to a 1 and then alternately DEC and INC PBD. This latches Y, then X.

In order to avoid the slewing of the DACs from causing a smeared display, the trailing edge of the X strobe generated by U5 initiates an unblanking pulse which turns on the CRT beam for a time set by VR1. The rest of the time the beam is blanked (turned off) by the normally-high output of U6. This convention is dictated by the type of scope; some scopes have a Z-axis (intensity mod.) which works in reverse, namely a positive level turns the beam on. In this case, merely use the output of U6 instead of the Q as shown on the schematic.

If your scope is AC-coupled on the Z-axis you may have to make some minor changes in the blanking pulse in order to avoid hot spots where the beam sits for long periods of time. One such change would be to trigger U6 from Q1 the same as U5 (use one of the A inputs on the 74121) and use the pulse to blank the beam only during the latching process. This requires some experimentation and will also depend on how you write your software.

The heart of the circuit is of course the DACs, which are type ZN425E available from Ferranti Electric Inc., East Bethpage Rd., Plainview, NY 11803. They go for \$8 each. Ferranti, incidentally, is a great company to deal with—excellent turn-around, very helpful, friendly people, and they make really fine parts. Anyway, the chip is a 16-pin DIP containing an R/2R resistor ladder, bipolar switches, a precision 2.56 volt reference, and an 8-bit counter (which we don't use in this case). The counter is used in ADC applications and for generating ramps and such. The biggest advantage to using this chip is that the output is already converted to a voltage, as opposed to most DACs which have a current output. This means the usual I/V op-amp converter may be eliminated. Also the inclusion of an on-chip reference makes it extremely easy to use. If you want a different full-scale output voltage you may either add an op-amp at the output, or more interestingly, you may apply an analog voltage at the input of the R/2R ladder instead of the internal reference. This allows you to effectively multiply your analog voltage by your digital word. The useful range of this external voltage is 0 to +3.0 volts. For more info write for the data sheet.

Also, because of the dual-function aspect of the chip, it should be possible to construct an ADC/DAC using only a few more parts than this output-only DAC. The applications to games and graphics-sketching are too numerous to list in detail, but for example, how about a throttle for the Lunar Lander, or a chase game displayed on the CRT? I'm going to design one using a joystick over the next few weeks after I get Life up and running using this present interface.

One last thing about the scope you use; if it has AC-coupling on either the vertical or horizontal channels you are in for a smeared display due to the tendency of the beam to travel back to the origin. This is difficult or impossible to correct short of rebuilding your amplifiers or getting a newer scope. If the Z-axis is AC-coupled or non-existent, take heart, though. I have successfully converted my Tektronix 317 to DC-coupled blanking using a high-voltage level-shifting circuit, and would gladly pass it along if anybody needs it, or help designing another.

As a demonstration of the graphics, I wrote (and include) a little program which produces some of the prettiest pictures you ever saw. It resides entirely in page zero and uses less than half the page. The first time you run it you'll see why I named it Starburst; depending on the mask at 0011 and the initial points at 0075 and 0076 you can get hundreds of different fascinating displays which spin, explode, flash, and otherwise dazzle.

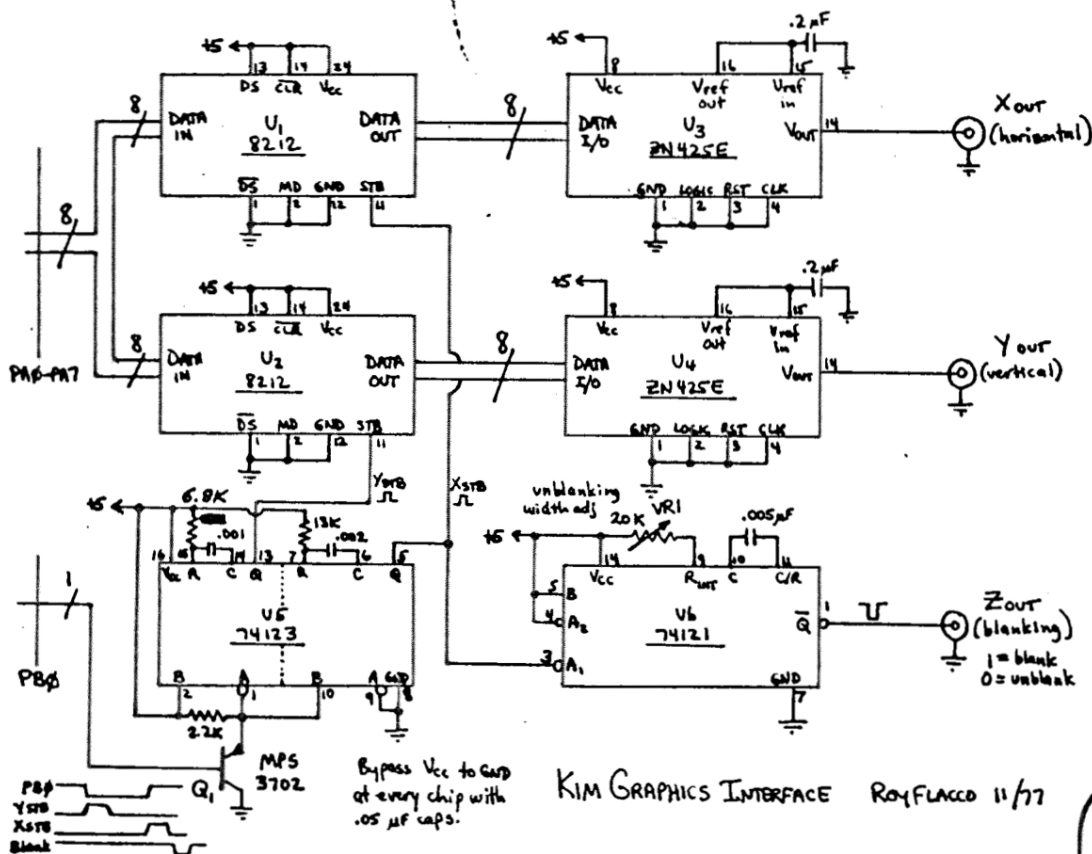
The use of an algorithm to generate the new point from the previous one exempts you from using much memory, since only a few coordinates are stored at any one time. The algorithm FULGEN is a variation on the ellipse-drawing one used in Aug. 77 BYTE, using 8-bit arithmetic. All overflow, underflow, and truncation errors are ignored, hence the rapidly moving display, which seems at times to bounce off the edges of the display screen and wrap around on itself. Using 16-bit arithmetic and taking care of over and under flow would help considerably toward stabilizing the picture, but frankly I like it more as it is.

HAFGEN calculates the proper coordinates for display in the four X-Y quadrants, since FULGEN works only on the first, and DISPLAY picks up the proper combination of halves and sends them to PROC which offsets them by 80,80 to center the origin. I found it was necessary to include a DELAY loop between points to slow the motion down to a reasonable speed; changing this produces dramatic changes in the appearance. Note also that replacing the JKP at 0054 with the proper branch should make the program relocatable (there is a lot of flab in the program, like the LDX at 0043). I left it in to make it easier to see the program flow.

In writing your own software, bear in mind the basic format is LDA Ycoord./STA PAD/DEC PBD; then LDA Xcoord./STA PAD/INC PBD. Be sure to initialize PADD, PBDD, and PB0 at the start. Adjust RV1 for the brightest display without smearing.

STARBURST GRAPHICS			
00	A9 FF	START	LDA #FFF
02	8D 01 17		STA FADD Set FA for all outputs
05	A9 01		LDA #001
07	8D 03 17		STA PBDD Set PB0 for output
0A	8D 02 17		STA PBD Set PB0=1
0D	A5 76	FULGEN	LDA FULY Generate new point FULX,FULY
0F	4A		LSR
10	49 FE		EOR #SFE try other masks; 7F,FD,etc.
12	38		SEC
13	65 75		ADC FULX
15	85 75		STA FULX new FULX
17	4A		LSR
18	18		CLC
19	65 76		ADC FULY
1B	85 76		STA FULY new FULY
1D	4A	HAFGEN	LSR scale-down into quadrants
1E	85 78		STA HPY new half-Y
20	49 FF		EOR #FFF
22	38		SEC
23	69 00		ADC #000
25	85 7A		STA NHY new negative half-Y
27	A5 75		LDA FULX
29	4A		LSR
2A	85 77		STA HPX new half-X
2C	49 FF		EOR #FFF





KIM GRAPHICS INTERFACE ROY FLACCO 11/77

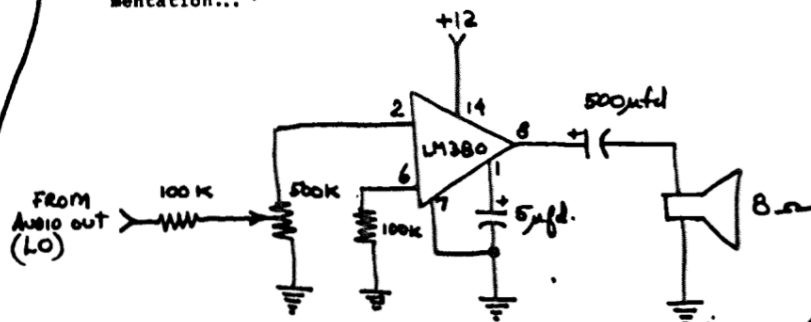
#### MORE ON TRIAC CIRCUITS (from Cass Lewart)

I checked again the waveforms of both my TRIAC interface circuits shown in issues 3 & 4 of the Newsletter and compared them with modifications suggested by Mike Firth and G. Thompson. I found the waveshapes and performance identical with that of my original circuits. In fact if one follows exactly Mike's suggestion to exchange MT1 and MT2 then the circuit will not work at all (Gate has to go to MT2 in either case). To answer Mike's question why I connect G to a point beyond the load, it is to obtain a better switching action as the gate voltage is then not affected by the variable load resistance. E.g. resistance of a 100W incandescent lamp varies from 10 Ohm when cold to 120 Ohm when hot. Though Mike doubts it (however, without checking), the circuit works fine and will not damage a motor. As the old saying goes: there are many ways to skin a cat!

2E 38	SEC	
2P 69	ADC #80	
31 85	STA NHX	new negative half-X
33 A0 01	LDY #01	number of display repeats
35 A6 77	DISPLAY LDX HPX	
37 A5 78	LDA HPY	
39 20 57	JSR PROC	Quadrant one: +X,+Y
3C A6 79	LDX NHX	
3E A5 78	LDA HPY	
40 20 57	JSR PROC	Quadrant two: -X,+Y
43 A6 79	LDX NHX	
45 A5 7A	LDA NHY	
47 20 57	JSR PROC	Quadrant three: -X,-Y
4A A6 77	LDX HPX	
4C A5 7A	LDA NHY	
4E 20 57	JSR PROC	Quadrant four: +X,-Y
51 88	DEY	Done displaying?
52 10 E1	BPL DISPLAY	No, do it again
54 4C 0D	JMP FULGEN	Yes, generate a new point
57 18	PROC CLC	Processing and display
58 69 80	ADC #80	
5A 8D 00 17	STA PAD	
5D CE 02 17	DEC PBD	Latch Y-coord./blank CRT beam
60 8A	TXA	
61 18	CLC	
62 69 80	ADC #80	
64 8D 00 17	STA PAD	
67 EE 02 17	INC PBD	Latch X-coord./unblank CRT beam
6A A9 03	LDA #03	Waste time between points
6C 8D 05 17	STA 8T	Load timer for 32 uses.
6F 2C 07 17	BIT 1KT	Test for timer done
72 10 FB	BPL LOOP	
74 60	RTS	

Here's a circuit that looks useful to us cost-conscious KIM freaks from...James H. Van Ornum, 55 Cornell Dr., Hazlet, NJ 07730

...Finally, a circuit idea which is an aid for the cassette interface plus an output port for simple music programs. If you look at the audio tape interface schematic for KIM-1, you will notice PB7, audio out (hi) as well as audio out (lo) all have some form of the cassette signal during both record and playback. A high input impedance audio amplifier, using any of the audio IC chips readily available, provides a useful audio monitor during cassette IO as well as a single bit music port. The enclosed schematic provides the circuit details for my particular implementation..."



In the last couple of issues of the KIM-1/6502 User Notes, Eric has mentioned the MM57109 "Number Cruncher Unit" (NCU) manufactured by National, and has noted that it should be easy, from a hardware and software standpoint, to interface to the KIM-1. Well, for those with the chip and the curious, here are the schematics and software listings of the interface that I am currently using to get the NCU and KIM-1 to parle with each other. Also, I've included the details of my I/O expansion hardware (I've multiplexed peripheral port A) to complete the package of information.

## Application I/O Interface

### Hardware:

To start things out, we should first look at the Application I/O interface shown in Fig. 1. Peripheral port B is used by the interface to choose the appropriate input or output port. Below is the assignment of the bits of port B. Three bits are devoted

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I	O	O	O	O	O	N/A	I
Input	Output	Port	Select	#	N/A	IRQ	

\*used as a keyboard request signal in my system to port selection; thus, you can potentially have up to 8 ports. In practice only 7 ports are used since the eighth port is used as a dummy I/O port (see below and subroutine OTSL). Typical input port and output port hardware are shown in Fig. 2. It should be noted that each port is either an input or an output not both, as one will find in an 8080 (8008) microprocessor system.

The two lower bits of port B are used as the input and output for the KIM-1 from and to, the sense inputs and auxiliary outputs respectively. The two multiplexed I/O bits were intended to serve as the handshake I/O lines, but their use is not limited to this application. One need only to remember that the two bits are inverted by the multiplexing chips and that the auxiliary outputs are normally low (active high). You will see that these two bits are extensively used by the NCU interface.

### Software:

Three simple subroutines are all that you need to drive the Application I/O interface. They are INIT (Initialize data direction registers), INSL (Select an input port) and OTSL (Select an output port). I won't discuss the details of each subroutine, per se, since they are all well documented, except to state how they are used and a couple of precautions. To use OTSL and INSL, you just load the accumulator with the port # desired in bits 2 (LSB), 3 and 4 (MSB) with all other bits zero (bit 1 may be an exception), then jump to the appropriate subroutine. A word of caution: Never select an input port with OTSL, the results could be catastrophic since the 6530 outputs of the KIM-1 would be trying to drive the 74125 outputs. You should also be aware that port 7 should not be used since it is used by OTSL to allow a glitch free clearing of the chosen output port, i.e. no undefined states; consequently, the chosen output is always initialized to zero by OTSL.

After the mode (I or O) and port are selected, you need only execute a LDA 1700 or STA 1700 to complete the operation.

## NCU Calculator Interface

### Hardware:

The hardware that connects directly to the MM57109 is shown in Fig. 3.

There is nothing unique about this part of the interface since all the suggestions given by National in the NCU data sheets were followed. In brief, though, all outputs from the NCU are buffered with a 74LS367 gate with the appropriate pull-down resistor to  $V_{DD}$  on the gate's input. All TTL compatible inputs to the NCU have pull-up resistors to  $V_{GG}$  ( $V_{CC}$ ). The clock has a frequency of approx. 400 KHz and uses a 74C04 run at 9V since the oscillator input as well as the HOLD and POR inputs are not TTL compatible.

The interface between the 74LS367's and the Application input bus is shown in Fig. 4. Again this interface follows closely the suggestions of National. Outputs DO1, DO2, DO3 and DO4 are latched into a 7475 by the R/W strobe which also sets a 7476 flip-flop. The BR output, if strobed, also will set a 7476 flip-flop. These flip-flops are reset by an auxiliary output signal from the Application interface after the KIM-1 has read the port. The ERR and RDY outputs of the NCU are also made available to the KIM-1.

The interface between the 74100 instruction latch and the Application output bus is shown in Fig. 5. This is a multi-purpose interface. Not only does it interface to the NCU circuitry, but it also interfaces with a "Beer Budget Graphics Interface" (BYTE, 1, 15, Nov., 1976). The circuitry for the latter is omitted but I shall explain the remaining circuitry pertinent to the NCU interface. Bits 06 and 07 are decoded to perform the instruction latching and hold function required in the NCU driving software. Briefly, 01XXXXXX (X=instruction bit) latches the instruction into the 74100, then 11XXXXXX brings the HOLD line low and the NCU commences the execution of the instruction. When the sense input #1 detects RDY=1 the KIM outputs 00XXXXXX and waits for RDY=0. More on this when we look at the driving software.

The last piece of hardware is the power supply. The NCU requires +5V and -4V. The +5V supply uses a 7805 and is self-explanatory. The -4V supply is derived from a -5V IC regulator whose output is further regulated to -3.9V with a zener diode. It should be noted that the capacitor of the size chosen on the output of the -5V regulator is necessary for the proper operation of the regulator.

This interface, as well as all the others, was constructed on Vector phenolic board. I used point-to-point wiring with a Vector wiring pencil. Sockets were used for the MM57109 and 74C04. The circuit worked the first time and has been running for about 6 months.

### Software:

There are three basic subroutines which comprise the minimum needed to drive the NCU. They are CRST (Clear and reset NCU), EXEC (Execute a single word of an instruction) and OUTC (Get output from NCU). To fully utilize the capabilities of the NCU, you would need a jump, jump on condition, store and recall instruction subroutines, all of which would be similar in format to the OUTC subroutine. As it stands, the program MAIN allows you to write and execute a linear program (i.e. no jumps) and use only the registers in the NCU for storage.

To write a program for the NCU, you first write out the program in mnemonics, then translate the mnemonics into hexadecimal opcodes (See enclosed list of NCU opcodes). Then you load the encoded program into memory starting at 0300 (hex) up to a maximum of 255 steps. The last byte of the program must be FF to indicate to the KIM the end of the program. To start the program press AD 0200, the reset switch for the NCU, and then 00. After it is finished, the program will return to the KIM monitor and the output will be located in memory locations B0 to BC in one of two formats, described in the NCU data sheets, depending on whether the NCU is in scientific or floating point mode.



0232	20 06 02	CRST	JSR INIT	Set data direction registers
0235	A2 05		LDX 05	Load accumulator with a NOP
0237	A9 3F		LDA 3F	instruction for NCU and
0239	20 54 02		JSR EXEC	do it 5 times so that
023C	CA		DCX	NCU is now reset if reset
023D	D0 F8		BNE CRST+5	switch was pressed.
023F	A9 2F		LDA 2F	
0241	20 54 02		JSR EXEC	Execute a MCLR instruction
0244	A9 14		LDA 14	
0246	20 11 02		JSR INSL	Select port 5 (input)
0249	A9 16		LDA 16	Pulse Auxiliary output 5
024B	8D 02 17		STA 1702	to reset R/W and BR
024E	A9 14		LDA 14	data latches
0250	8D 02 17		STA 1702	
0253	60		RTS	
0254	48	EXEC	PHA	Save instruction
0255	A9 04		LDA 04	
0257	20 1A 02		JSR OTSL	Select port 1 (output)
025A	AD 02 17	EXC1	LDA 1702	Check if
025D	4A		LSR A	RDY=1
025E	B0 FA		BCS EXC1	(RDY=0)
0260	68		PLA	Get and
0261	48		PHA	Store instruction
0262	09 40		ORA 40	Put instruction in
0264	8D 00 17		STA 1700	instruction latch
0267	09 80		ORA 80	
0269	8D 00 17		STA 1700	Set HOLD=0
026C	AD 02 17	EXC2	LDA 1702	Check if
026F	4A		LSR A	RDY=0
0270	90 FA		BCC EXC2	(RDY=1)
0272	68		PLA	
0273	8D 00 17		STA 1700	Set HOLD=1
0276	60		RTS	
0277	A9 16	OUTC	LDA 16	Do an OUT instruction
0279	20 54 02	OUT1	JSR EXEC	
027C	20 54 02		JSR EXEC	Second byte is ignored by NCU
027F	A2 00		LDX 00	Initialize output buffer pointer
0281	A9 14		LDA 14	
0283	20 11 02		JSR INSL	Select port 5 (input)
0286	2C 00 17	OUT2	BIT 1700	Check for no more data
0289	30 0F		BMI OUT3	(RDY=1)
028B	AD 00 17		LDA 1700	
028E	29 10		AND 10	Check for R/W flag set
0290	F0 F4		BEQ OUT2	
0292	AD 00 17		LDA 1700	
0295	29 0F		AND 0F	Load and
0297	95 80		STA B0,X	Store digit
0299	E8		INX	Bump buffer pointer
029A	A9 16	OUT3	LDA 16	
029C	8D 02 17		STA 1702	Clear R/W Flag
029F	A9 14		LDA 14	
02A1	8D 02 17		STA 1702	
02A4	2C 00 17		BIT 1700	Check if done (RDY=1)
02A7	10 DD		BPL OUT2	
02A9	8A		TXA	Store buffer pointer
02AA	09 80		ORA 80	with bit 7 set to 1
02AC	95 80		STA B0,X	
02AE	60		RTS	
02AF	20 32 02	MAIN	JSR CRST	Clear NCU registers
02B2	A0 00	CNTU	LDY 00	Initialize program pointer
02B4	B9 00 03	LOOP	LDA 0300,Y	Get instruction
02B7	C9 FF		CMF FF	Is it end of program?
02B9	F0 07		BEQ END	-if sq output # in NCU X register
02BB	20 54 02		JSR EXEC	-if not, do it
02BE	C8		INY	Bump program pointer
02BF	4C B4 02		JMP LOOP	Do next instruction
02C2	20 77 02	END	JSR OUTC	Output X register of NCU
02C5	4C F4 1C		JMP MONITOR	Back to KIM

# NCU CALCULATOR INTERFACE

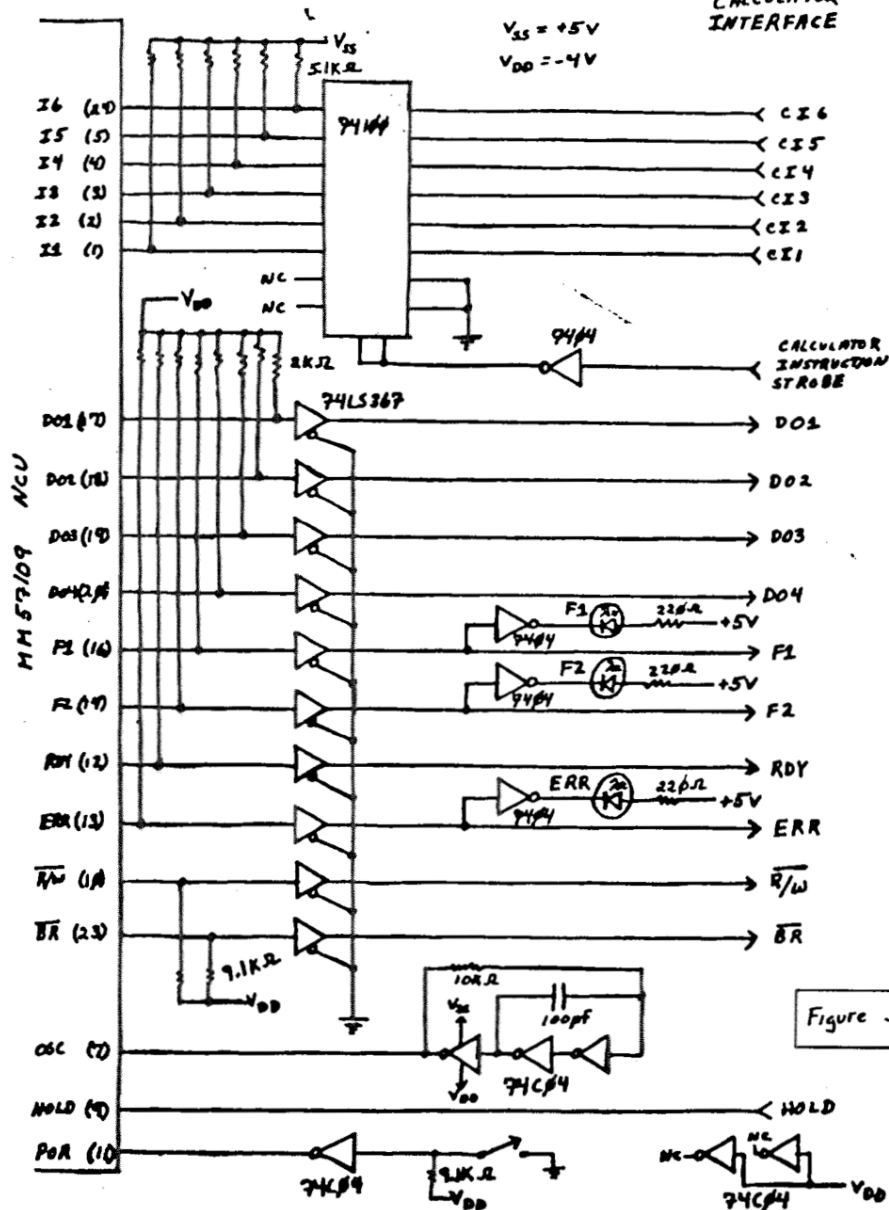


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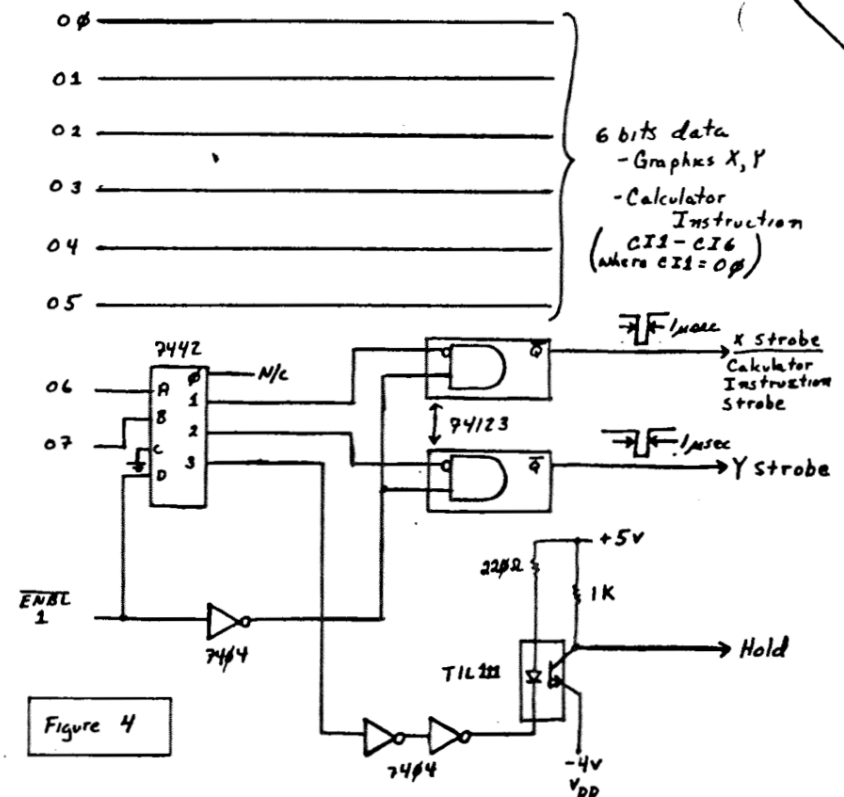
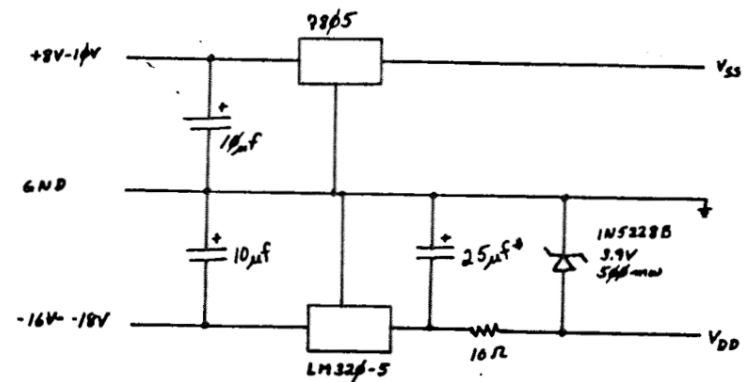


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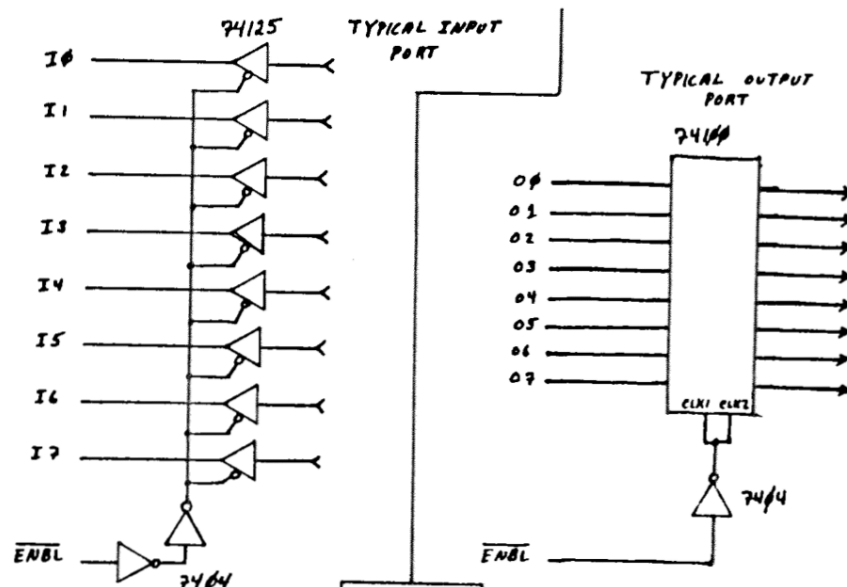
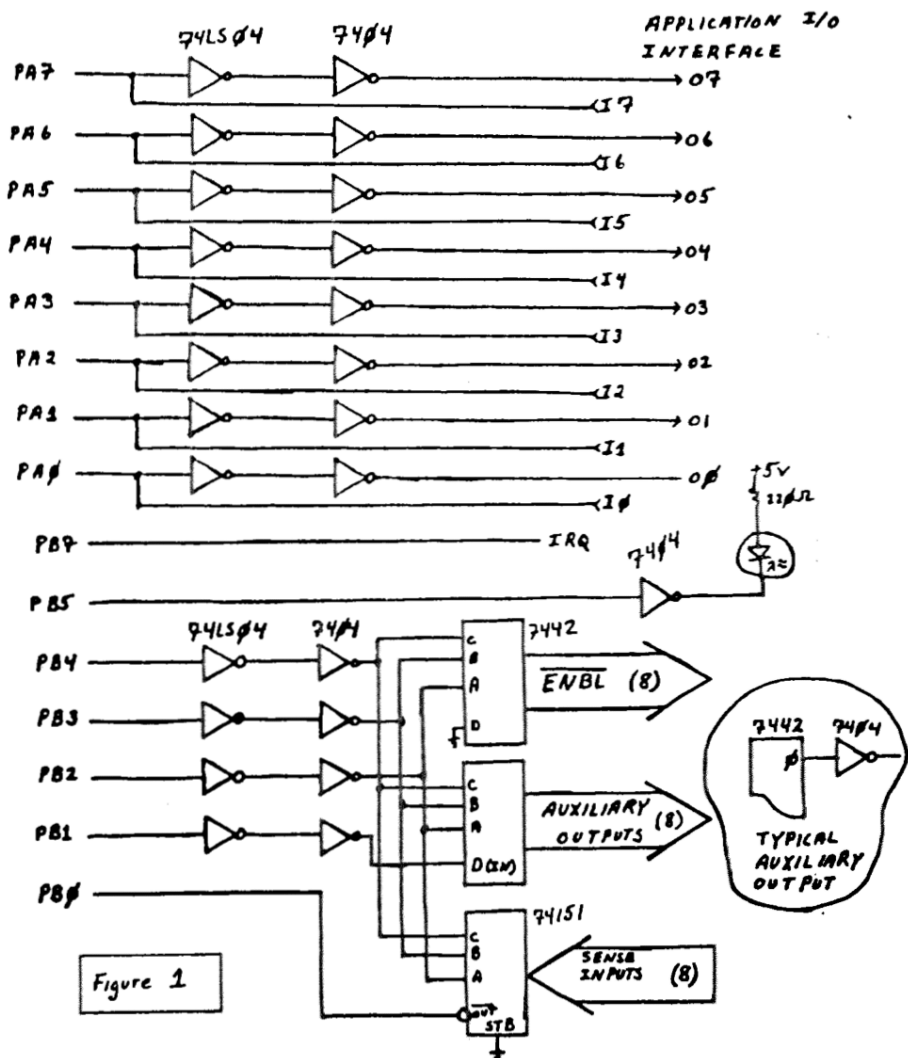
\*Necessary for proper operation of regulator

Figure 6

My experience with this calculator chip has lead to the discovery of only one unusual feature. It appears that the flag outputs are only valid when HOLD signal is low. Other than that, everything seems to work fine.

#### Closing Notes

As mentioned before this information package is sufficient to get your NCU up and running. Nevertheless, it should be born in mind that this interface is flexible and the software is super simple (therefore limited). Much could be done to improve things. My current project is the development of a more substantial software package, which would turn an expanded KIM-1 into a Super programmable calculator.



HEXADECIMAL OPCODES FOR NCU INSTRUCTIONS

00	0	10	20	30	40
01	1	11	21	31	41
02	2	12	22	32	42
03	3	13	23	33	43
04	4	14	24	34	44
05	5	15	25	35	45
06	6	16	26	36	46
07	7	17	27	37	47
08	8	18	28	38	48
09	9	19	29	39	49
0A	DP	1A	2A	3A	4A
0B	EE	1B	2B	3B	4B
0C	CS	1C	2C	3C	4C
0D	PI	1D	2D	3D	4D
0E	AIN	1E	2E	3E	4E
0F	MALT	1F	2F	3F	4F
10	TIC	10	20	30	40
11	TX-0	11	21	31	41
12	TX-0	12	22	32	42
13	TXF	13	23	33	43
14	TEAR	14	24	34	44
15	JMP	15	25	35	45
16	OUT	16	26	36	46
17	IN	17	27	37	47
18	SHOC	18	28	38	48
19	IBNZ	19	29	39	49
1A	DBNZ	1A	2A	3A	4A
1B	XEM	1B	2B	3B	4B
1C	MS	1C	2C	3C	4C
1D	MR	1D	2D	3D	4D
1E	LSH	1E	2E	3E	4E
1F	RSH	1F	2F	3F	4F
20	INV	20	20	30	40
21	EN	21	21	31	41
22	TOCM	22	22	32	42
23	ROLL	23	23	33	43
24	SIN (SIN-1)	24	24	34	44
25	COS (COS-1)	25	25	35	45
26	TAN (TAN-1)	26	26	36	46
27	SF1	27	27	37	47
28	SF2	28	28	38	48
29	PF1	29	29	39	49
2A	PF2	2A	2A	3A	4A
2B	ECIR	2B	2B	3B	4B
2C	RID	2C	2C	3C	4C
2D	DTR	2D	2D	3D	4D
2E	POP	2E	2E	3E	4E
2F	MCIR	2F	2F	3F	4F
30	INT	30	30	30	30
31	EX	31	31	31	31
32	10K	32	32	32	32
33	10K	33	33	33	33
34	10K	34	34	34	34
35	10K	35	35	35	35
36	10K	36	36	36	36
37	10K	37	37	37	37
38	10K	38	38	38	38
39	10K	39	39	39	39
3A	10K	3A	3A	3A	3A
3B	10K	3B	3B	3B	3B
3C	10K	3C	3C	3C	3C
3D	10K	3D	3D	3D	3D
3E	10K	3E	3E	3E	3E
3F	10K	3F	3F	3F	3F

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If you're still reading, then chances are that you would be interested in hearing about 'HEXADAISY'. Picture two circular vinyl discs held together by a centered rivet and you'll have a good idea of what this hex calculator looks like. The instructions describe how to do hex arithmetic with 'HEXADAISY', but I feel that its branch calculating ability is by far more important and makes it well worth the \$3.95 price tag. The price/performance ratio of this device is also more realistic. 'HEXADAISY' is available for \$3.95 (postpaid in USA) from:

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Anyway, like I was saying, the p.c. boards are now available from PYRAMID DATA SYSTEMS, DEPT A., 6 Terrace Ave., New Egypt, NJ. 08533. For \$25.00 you get the board and documentation. Include an extra \$1.50 if you want a reprint of the Ham Radio article.

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RIVERSIDE ELECTRONIC DESIGN is still alive and well. They can be reached at 716-873-5306 in the evenings. Eugene Zunchak, one of the owners, said that they are still making the video and KIM expansion boards. I saw these boards at the CLEVELAND COMPUTERFEST and they looked well thought out and constructed.....ERIC

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FORETHOUGHT PRODUCTS is now making a power supply available to power their "KIMSI" and similar machines. All outputs are unregulated and include +8 volts at 12 Amps, +16 volts at 1 Amp and -16 at 1 Amp. Input is either 110 VAC or 220 VAC. Price is \$69.50 in kit form or \$89.00 assembled. Get more info on this and their other KIM products at: FORETHOUGHT PRODUCTS, P.O. Box 8066, Coburg, Or 97401 503-485-8575

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CONNECTICUT MICROCOMPUTER has announced immediate availability of an RS-232 ADAPTOR FOR KIM. In its present configuration, the adaptor converts current-loop to RS-232 (and vice-versa) but can easily be modified to convert TTL to RS-232 (and vice-versa). ADA, as it's called, comes completely assembled for \$24.50 with drilled, plated-through solder pads for all connections, or, for \$29.50 with barrier strips and screw terminals. Contact them at: Pocono Rd., Brookfield, CT., 06804

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THE 6502 PROGRAM EXCHANGE, 2920 Meana, Reno, NV 89509 has announced a number of new software packages for the 6502. These include an extended version of FOCAL, a 4K resident assembler, and a mini text editor.

The new FOCAL (FCL65E) offers 8 to 9 digit accuracy, 8-level priority interrupt handling, string variables and functions, and greater flexibility in its FOR, SET, and DO commands. The EXCHANGE indicates they have a FOCAL version of STAR TREK as well as other programs available.

More information, prices, and list of other software (floating-point arithmetic package, disassemblers, games, and utility programs) may be obtained by sending \$1.00 to the 6502 Program Exchange.

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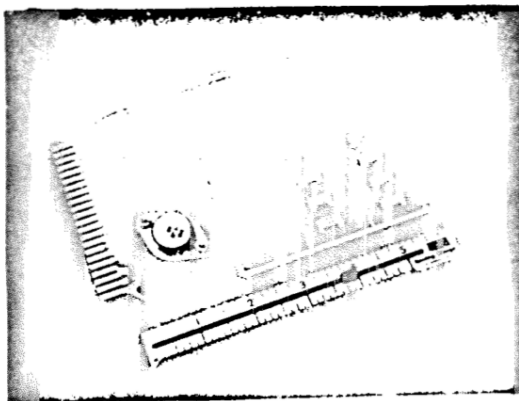
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### "XIM" BY PYRAMID DATA SYSTEMS

As soon as I hooked a terminal to KIM, it became apparent that the built-in TTY monitor was only a bare-bones approach and a more elegant program development tool was sorely needed. The functions that were most necessary included a more convenient way of entering and dumping HEX data, as well as a move routine and maybe a BREAK processor for debugging purposes. Luckily though, before I got too far into working up these routines for myself, a copy of something called "XIM" came to my attention. Basically "XIM" stands for Extended I/O Monitor and is a 1K extension of the KIM monitor. 17 commands are included in its arsenal (4 of which are user definable) including such niceties as block move, search, and compare; hex dump and entry; a breakpoint routine; a relative branch calculator; etc.

"XIM" has been "ediot-proofed" very nicely and provides the operator feedback necessary for user-confidence. This feature has been sorely lacking in a number of software packages I have seen. SOFTWARE WRITERS TAKE NOTE.

The documentation is very complete, gives examples for each of the 17 commands, and provides a well-commented source listing of the program for ease of understanding.

"XIM" is available for \$10.00 (manual and paper tape) or \$12.00 (manual and KIM cassette) postpaid in USA from PYRAMID DATA SYSTEMS, Dept 'A', 6 Terrace Ave, New Egypt, NJ 08533.

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MORRISON ELECTRONICS INC. announces availability of their 4K RAM board designed especially for KIM. According to the flyer, the assembled and tested board sells for \$165.00 and is configured to mount directly below KIM on standoffs. Get more info from them at 3539 Lacon Rd., Hilliard, Oh 43026 (614-876-4408).

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## ON VERIFYING PROGRAMS IN RAM

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Ever had a program go wild and you're left wondering what got destroyed as a result? CHEK is a handy utility you can use to identify destroyed programs. CHEK calculates the checksum over a block of memory defined by BEG and FIN (inclusive).

I suggest that programs published in the KIM-1 USER NOTES have a checksum at the end so that readers can verify whether they've entered them into memory correctly.

To find the checksum for a program starting at 1780 and ending at 17A4 (e.g. CHEK), run CHEK with BEG=80,17 and FIN=A4,17. The display will show 17A6 FA, where FA is the checksum which must be entered at location 17A5.

Now to see if the program is intact, run CHEK with BEG=80,17 and FIN=A5,17. If the display shows 17A6 00, the program between 1780 and 17A4 and the checksum at 17A5 are intact.

## CHEKSUM CALCULATOR

```

; Put memory block start addr in E0,E1
; Put memory block end addr in E2,E3
; Processor must be in binary mode
; 17FE,17FF must contain address=1000
; CHEK modifies the contents of E0,E1
CHEK LDA # $00      ; Initialize A (sum),
                    ; Y,
                    ; and C to zero.
                    ; Add to sum.
                    ; Increment
                    ; memory
                    ; address.
                    ; Check to
                    ; see if
                    ; current
                    ; memory address
                    ; equals the last
                    ; memory address.
1780 A900          ; Add in the last byte.
1782 A8           ; Calculate
1783 18          ; the
1784 71E0        ; checksum:
1785 E6E0        ; 0 - sum.
1786 D002        ; Store for display.
1787 E6E1        ; Exit to Monitor.
1788 A6E3        ; Checksum over CHEK.
1789 E4E1        ; Checksum for display.
1790 D0F1        ; Memory block start address.
1791 A6E2        ; Memory block end addr (L,H).
1792 E4E0        ;
1793 D0E5        ;
1794 18          ;
1795 71E0        ;
1796 85F5        ;
1797 98          ;
1798 38          ;
1799 85F5        ;
17A1 8DA617      ;
17A4 00          ;
17A5 FA          ;
17A6 00          ;
SUM .BYTE $FA
CHK .BYTE $00
BEG = $E0 ;Memory block start address.
FIN = $E2 ;Memory block end addr (L,H).

```

How 'bout some TTY graphics?.....can you expand on this?

**GREETING CARD GENERATOR** from Hardy Pottinger, 13 Pauline Ln.  
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This is a program written in 6502 assembly language for the KIM-1 microcomputer system. It is designed to accept a message from a console teletype terminated by a carriage return (\$0D) and then interpret a simple list of picture descriptors to repeat the message in a desired pattern. The program as currently written has room for a 10 character message (including terminator). The pattern descriptor size is limited only by KIM's memory. The program resides in locations \$200 through \$26E. The message follows the program, and the pattern descriptor is entered at \$279. Locations \$263 and \$264 are the descriptor table's low and high address bytes. The contents of these two locations may be changed if desired to allow a longer message text.

The descriptor is composed of a list of 7-bit counters of the form:

**Ns,Nm,Ns,...,Nm,Ns,...,Nf**

where Ns is a 7-bit space count, and Nm is a 7-bit message count. A new line is signaled at any time by a count with a 1 in bit 0. Any count can be 0. A \$FF marks the end of the descriptor and a return is made to the KIM monitor via a RST instruction. The message is repeated if necessary to fill out each field of Nm bytes. Each line begins with an 18 space margin. This is arbitrary and can be changed by modifying the contents of location \$212. This value must be at least 1.

Example:

```

80 80 80 80
00 05 05 05 05 85
00 05 05 05 05 85
00 05 05 05 05 85
00 05 05 05 05 85
05 05 05 85
05 05 05 85
05 05 05 85
00 05 05 05 05 85
00 05 05 05 05 85
00 05 05 05 05 85
00 05 05 05 05 85
80 80 80 FF

```

Produces a checkerboard pattern as shown on the sample runs.  
Note that if the message is too long to fill a field it is continued in the next field or on the next line.

```

1  ; GREETING CARD GENERATOR
2  ; DRAW A FIGURE COMPOSED OF TEXT FROM A USER GENERATED
3  ; MESSAGE
4  ; POINTER STORAGE
5  ;
6  CHPTR EQU 0
7  LPTR EQU 1
8  COUNT EQU 2
9  MCNT EQU 3
10 GETCH EQU $1E5A ; GET CHAR ROUTINE
11 OUTSP EQU $1E9E ; OUTPUT SPACE ROUTINE
12 OUTCH EQU $1EA0 ; OUTPUT CHAR ROUTINE
13 ;
14 .LOC $200
15 ;
16 START LDX #000 ; CLEAR X REG
17 STX CHPTR ; RESET POINTERS
18 STX LPTR

```

```

19
20 0206 20 5A 1E
21 0209 90 6F 02
22 020C E8
23 020D C9 00
24 020F D0 F5
25
26
27
28 0211 A2 12
29 0213 20 9E 1E
30 0216 CA
31 0217 D0 FA
32
33
34
35 0219 20 5E 02
36 021C AA
37 021D F0 06
38 021F 20 9E 1E
39 0222 CA
40 0223 D0 FA
41 0225 A9 80
42 0227 24 02
43 0229 D0 26
44
45
46
47 022B 20 5E 02
48 022E F0 1B
49 0230 85 03
50 0232 A6 00
51 0234 B0 6F 02
52 0237 C9 00
53 0239 D0 06
54 023B A2 00
55 023D 86 00
56 023F F0 F3
57 0241 E8
58 0242 20 A0 1E
59 0245 E6 00
60 0247 C6 03
61 0249 D0 E7
62
63
64
65 024B A9 80
66 024D 24 02
67 024F F0 C8
68
69
70
71 0251 A9 00
72 0253 20 A0 1E
73 0256 A9 0A
74 0258 20 A0 1E
75 025B 4C 11 02
76
77
78
79
80
81
82 025E A6 01
83 0260 E6 01
84 0262 B0 79 02
85 0265 C9 FF
86 0267 D0 01
87 0269 00
88 026A 85 02

```

```

; MSGQ JSR GETCH ; GET CHAR FROM TTY
; STA MSG X ; STORE IN MESSAGE AREA
; INX ; INCR X REG
; CMP #0D ; = CR?
; BNE MSGQ ; GET MORE IF NOT CR
;
; OUTPUT OFFSET # OF SPACES FOR LEFT MARGIN
;
LMARG LDX #18
LMRG1 JSR OUTSP ; DO LEFT MARGIN
; DEX
; BNE LMRG1
;
; GET COUNT OF SPACE FIELD
;
SLIST JSR GCNT
; TAX
; BEQ SP2 ; COUNT TO X REG
; GO TO SP2 IF COUNT=0
SP1 JSR OUTSP
; DEX
; BNE SP1
SP2 LDA #00
; BIT COUNT ; TEST COUNT FOR END FLAG
; BNE ENDSQ ; END OF DESCRIPTOR
;
; GET COUNT AND DO MESSAGE FIELD
;
; JSR GCNT
; BEQ MSGQ
; STA MCNT ; SAVE COUNT IN MCNT
MS1 LDX CMPTR ; GET CURRENT MESSAGE POINTER
MS2 LDA MSG X ; GET CURRENT MESSAGE BYTE
; CMP #0D ; TEST FOR CR
; BNE MS3 ; NOT A CR
; LDX #00 ; CLEAR X
; STX CMPTR ; RESET MESSAGE POINTER
MS3 JSR OUTCH
; INC CMPTR
; DEC MCNT ; TEST COUNT
; BNE MS1 ; DO MORE IF NOT ZERO
;
; END OF MESSAGE FIELD
;
MSGQ LDA #00
; BIT COUNT ; TEST FOR END OF LINE
; BEQ SLIST ; DO NEXT SPACE FIELD
;
; END OF DESCRIPTOR (LINE)
;
ENDSQ LDA #0D ; DO CR/LF
; JSR OUTCH
; LDA #0A
; JSR OUTCH
; JMP LMRG1
;
; GCNT
; GET COUNT FROM LIST
; ORIGINAL COUNT IN 'COUNT' AND A
; 7-BIT COUNT IN ACC
;
GCNT LDX LPTR ; GET CURRENT LIST POINTER
; INC LPTR ; BUMP IT
; LDA LBASE X ; GET CURRENT LIST ELEMENT
; CMP #FF ; TEST FOR END OF LIST
; BNE GCNT1 ; NOT END
; BRK ; END OF LIST
GCNT1 STA COUNT ; SAVE ORIGINAL COUNT

```

end



# HERE'S A KLUGE-HARP LOADER FOR YOU MUSIC FREAKS, FROM:

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"Ron Kushnier's Harp in #6 is a real improvement but lacks the ability to take rests-silence is important in real music. I'm sending you a simple patch which treats code #FF as a rest.

Also included is a Kluge Harp Loader which uses a TVI as an input terminal. Not elegant but it does allow direct loading from sheet music to memory W/O all the table look-up.

Possibly the most important feature is the note codes - they're right, by tuning fork & frequency meter. Now you can play duets with KIM.

Upcoming projects include a music transcriber to automatically take care of sharps & flats in going from one key to another. Also, a hardware multiplexed bus system to allow KIM to play chords. How about some articles on music or sound in general".

0300	A2, 001	LDX	#00	INDEX TO SCORE START
02	A0 00	LDY	#00	SET FOR LOW OCTAVE
04	8C 80, 03	STX	TEMPY	
07	20 5A, 1E	JSR	GETCH	GET KB INPUT
0A	C9 00	CMP	' '	IF IT IS ' ' KEY, INDEX
0C	D0 00	BNE	①	BACK ONE COUNT, DISPLAY
0E	CA	DEX		NEW INDEX AND
0F	8A	TXA		RETURN
10	20 38 1E	JSR	PRTBYT	
13	20 EC 03	JSR	LFCR	
16	4C 02 03	JMP	NSTART	-OR-
19	C9 1F	CMP	' → '	IF IT IS ' → ' KEY, INDEX
1B	D0 0B	BNE	②	FORWARD ONE COUNT,
1D	EB	INX		DISPLAY NEW INDEX
1E	8A	TXA		AND RETURN
1F	20 38 1E	JSR	PRTBYT	
22	20 EC 03	JSR	LFCR	
25	4C 02 03	JMP	NSTART	-OR-
28	C9 70	CMP	' P '	IF IT IS ' P ' KEY, NEXT
2A	D0 07	BNE	③	2 KEY INPUTS ARE LOADED
2C	20 9D 1F	JSR	GETBYT	DIRECTLY TO INDEXED LOC.
2F	D0 57	BNE	④	
31	F0 55	BEG	⑤	-OR-
33	C9 68	CMP	' H '	IF IT IS ' H ' KEY, NEXT
35	D0 08	BNE	④	LOCATION WILL LOAD FROM
37	A0 0D	LDY	#0D	HIGH OCTAVE
39	8C EB 03	STY	TEMPY	
3C	20 5A 1E	JSR	GETCH	-OR-
3F	AC EB 03	LDY	TEMPY	
42	C9 61	CMP	' A '	COMPARE TO ' A ' KEY. IF A MATCH
44	F0 3F	BEG	⑥	LOAD ' A ' CODE. OTHERWISE,
46	CB	INX		INC. INDEX FOR NEXT NOTE.
47	C9 41	CMP	' A# '	ETC. FOR ALL POSSIBLE
49	F0 3A	BEG	⑤	NOTES.
4B	CB	INX		
4C	C9 62	CMP	' B '	
4E	F0 35	BEG	⑥	
50	CB	INX		
51	C9 63	CMP	' C '	
53	F0 30	BEG	⑥	

55	CB	INX	
56	C9 43	CMP	' C# '
58	F0 2B	BEG	⑥
5A	CB	INX	
035B	C9 64	CMP	' D '
5D	F0 26	BEG	⑥
5F	CB	INX	
60	C9 44	CMP	' D# '
62	F0 21	BEG	⑥
64	CB	INX	
65	C9 65	CMP	' E '
67	F0 1C	BEG	⑥
69	CB	INX	
6A	C9 66	CMP	' F '
6C	F0 17	BEG	⑥
6E	CB	INX	
6F	C9 46	CMP	' F# '
71	F0 12	BEG	⑥
73	CB	INX	
74	C9 67	CMP	' G '
76	F0 0D	BEG	⑥
78	CB	INX	
79	C9 47	CMP	' G# '
7B	F0 08	BEG	⑥
7D	CB	INX	
7E	C9 72	CMP	' R '
80	F0 03	BEG	⑥
82	20 02 03	JMP	NSTART
85	09 50 02	LDA	NOTE, Y
88	4D 00 00	STA	TUNE, X
8B	A9 20	LDA	' SP '
8D	20 A0 1E	JSR	OUTCH
90	8A	TXA	
91	20 38 1E	JSR	PRTBYT
94	20 EC 03	JSR	LFCR
97	E8	INX	
98	20 5A 1E	JSR	GETCH
9B	A0 00	LDY	#00
9D	C9 31	CMP	' I '
9F	F0 34	BEG	⑥
A1	CB	INX	
A2	C9 21	CMP	' I# '
A4	F0 2E	BEG	⑥
A6	CB	INX	
A7	C9 32	CMP	' J '
A9	F0 2A	BEG	⑥
AB	CB	INX	
AC	C9 40	CMP	' J# '
AE	F0 25	BEG	⑥
B0	CB	INX	
03B1	C9 34	CMP	' K '
B3	F0 20	BEG	⑥
B5	CB	INX	
B6	C9 24	CMP	' K# '
B8	F0 1B	BEG	⑥
BA	CB	INX	
BB	C9 38	CMP	' L '
BD	F0 16	BEG	⑥
BF	CB	INX	
C0	C9 2A	CMP	' L# '

COMPARE TO 'REST' KEY. IF  
MATCH, WILL LOAD #FF  
NOT VALID KEY, KEEP TRYING.  
GET NOTE VALUE FROM TABLE  
AND STORE IN SCORE.  
PUT A SPACE ON CRT  
THEN, OUTPUT PRESENT  
LOCATION.  
DO CRIF W/O SKEWING UP X  
ADVANCE TO NEXT SCORE LOC.  
GET KB INPUT  
SET TIME INDEX  
COMPARE TO 'WHOLE NOTE' KEY.  
IF A MATCH, LOAD 'V' CODE.  
OTHERWISE, INC INDEX FOR  
NEXT TIME SIGNATURE.  
ETC FOR ALL LISTED  
TIME SIGNATURES.

C2 F0 11  
 C4 C8  
 C5 C9 C936  
 C7 F0 C FFC  
 C9 C8  
 CA C9 SE  
 CC F0 07  
 CE C8  
 CF C9 33  
 D1 F0 02  
 D3 D0 C3  
 D5 B9 70 02 ②  
 D8 A9 20  
 D8 A9 20  
 D0 20 A0 1E  
 E0 8A  
 E1 20 3B 1E  
 E4 20 EC 03  
 E7 E8  
 E8 20 02 03  
 EB XX  
 EC A9 0A LFCR  
 EE 20 A0 1E  
 F1 A9 00  
 F3 20 A0 1E  
 F6 60  
 BEQ ①  
 INY  
 CMP '6' (1/16)  
 BEQ ①  
 INY  
 CMP '6' (1/16)  
 BEQ ①  
 INY  
 CMP '3' (TRIPLET)  
 BEQ ②  
 BNE ③  
 LDA TIME, Y GETTIMEVALUE FROM TABLE  
 STA TUNE, X AND STORE IN SCORE  
 LDA 'SP' PUT A SPACE ON SCREEN.  
 JSR OUTCH  
 TXA THEN OUTPUT PRESENT  
 JSR PRTOBT STORAGE LOCATION.  
 JSR LFCR  
 INX ADVANCE TO NEXT LOC.  
 JMP NSTART THEN START AGAIN.  
 TEMPY  
 LDA LF SUB TO OUTPUT LFCR  
 JSR OUTCH W/O EFFECTING X.  
 LDA CR  
 JSR OUTCH  
 RTS

...AND NOW, THE NOTE TABLE---

NOTE	A	TIME	1/1
51 D3	A#	71 30	1/1
52 C5	B	72 10	1/2
53 BA	C	73 18	1/2
54 B1	C#	74 08	1/4
55 A6	D	75 0C	1/4
56 9C	D#	76 04	1/8
57 93	E	77 06	1/8
58 8A	F	78 02	1/16
59 83	F#	79 03	1/16
5A 7B	G	7A XX	TRIPLET
5B 74	G#		
5C FF	REST		
5D 6E	A		
5E 67	A#		
5F 61	B		
60 5C	C		
61 56	C#		
62 51	D		
63 4C	D#		
64 48	E		
65 44	F		
66 40	F#		
67 3C	G		
68 38	G#		
69 FF	REST		

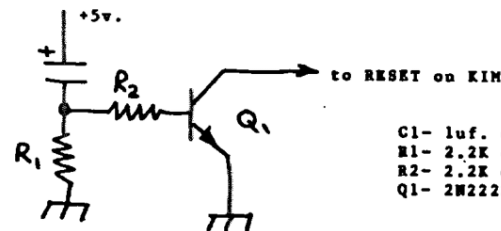
PATCH TO RONALD KUSHNIE'S KLUGE HARP TO INCORPORATE 'RESTS'

0231 A9 00 LDA 00 RESET POSSIBLE PREVIOUS REST  
 8D 12 02 STA 0212  
 C8 INY  
 C8 INY  
 B9 00 00 LDA 00, Y TEST NOTE FOR END OF SCORE  
 C9 00 CMP 00  
 F0 C6 BEQ 0202 YES: PLAY IT AGAIN, KIM  
 C9 FF CMP 00 FF IS IT A REST?  
 D0 C4 BNE ① NO: CONTINUE PLAYING  
 A9 02 LDA 02 YES: SILENCE PA OUTPUT  
 8D 12 02 STA 0212  
 D0 BD BNE ① UNCONDITIONAL JMP(CONTINUE)

### NOTES ON USING KLUGE HARP LOADER

1. LOAD NOTES USING KEYS A-G.
2. LOAD TIME VALUES W/ FOLLOWING KEYS:  
 WHOLE - 1 EIGHTH - 8  
 HALF - 2 SIXTEENTH - 6 TRIPLET - 3  
 QUARTER - 4 REST - R
3. TO SHARPEN A NOTE, SHIFT IT.
4. TO EXTEND A TIME VALUE BY 1/2 (DOT IT), SHIFT IT.
5. STEP FORWARD W/ → KEY, BACKSTEP W/ ← (IF YOUR KB LACKS THESE KEYS, ANY KEYS WILL DO)
6. FOR HIGH OCTAVE, HIT THE 'H' KEY BEFORE NOTE KEY.
7. TO ENTER ODD VALUES, I.E. A NOTE OUTSIDE 2 OCTAVES, A HALF NOTE TIED TO A DOTTED HALF ETC. USE THE 'D' KEY. THE FOLLOWING TWO KEY ENTRIES LOAD AS A BYTE INTO OPEN LOCATION.

Here's a POWER ON RESET CIRCUIT for KIM from Leonard Crane, FORETHOUGHT PRODUCTS, P.O. Box 386, Coburg, Ore, 97401



C1- 1uf. @15v.  
 R1- 2.2K ohm  
 R2- 2.2K ohm  
 Q1- 2N2222 (or equiv.)

KIM Program: DICEY Jan/77 Jim Butterfield, Toronto

This program rolls dice. Quietly. If you have an urge to play a dice game like Yahtzee at 3 a.m. you won't wake the household. You can specify how many dice in COUNT, address 029E; from one to six - five are used in the program listing.

To roll all dice, hit 00. To roll selected dice only, hit keys 1 to 6 to indicate which ones you want, then hit 00. Many games need this kind of selective roll: Yahtzee, Poker Dice, Ship/Captain/Crew.

Ship/Captain/Crew, for example, allows you three rolls per play, using five dice. A six is your ship; if you don't have one, you must roll all dice again. Once you have a ship, look for a five, which is your captain; if you don't have him, roll everything except the ship. When you have both ship and captain the total of the remaining dice is your crew, which is your score. You may try to improve your crew if you have any rolls left.

```

0200 D8      START  CLD
0201 20 40 1F   JSR KEYIN    directional register
0204 20 6A 1F   JSR GETKEY    test key input
0207 AE 9E 02   LHX COUNT    how many dice?
020A CA        DEX          minus one for loop counter
020E 86 90     STX CNT
020D C9 13     CMP #13       GO key?
020F D0 30     BNE NOGO      no, skip Roll procedure
0211 B5 A0     VUE LDA FLAG,X yes, test ...
0213 D0 0A     BNE RUN       any dice rolling?
0215 CA        DEX
0216 10 F9     BPL VUE
0218 A6 90     LUX CNT
021A F6 A0     VEX INC FLAG,X no; roll 'em all
021C CA        DEX
021D 10 FB     BPL VEX
021F A4 90     RUM LUX CNT    random values for each die
0221 38        ROLL SEC      ..whether used or not
0222 A5 97     LDA RND+1
0224 65 9A     ADC RND+4
0226 65 9B     ADC RND+5
0228 85 96     STA RND        new random value
022A A2 04     LDX #4
022C B5 96     RLP LDA RND,X
022E 95 97     STA RND+1,X
0230 CA        DEX
0231 10 F9     BPL RLP
0233 29 07     AND #07       change these lines...
0235 C9 06     CMP #6        .. for n-sided dice
0237 B0 E8     BCS ROLL      reject this number?
0239 99 A6 00  STA NUMB,X    store new roll
023C 88        DEX
023D 10 E2     BPL ROLL
023F 30 45     BMI PLACE
0241 AA CA     NOGO TAX DEX    test input key
0243 EC 9E 02  CPX COUNT     legal?
0246 B0 04     BCS NOKEY     no, ignore
0248 A9 01     LDA #1        set "roll" flag
024A 95 A0     STA FLAG,X
024C A9 7F     NOKEY LDA #7F  open display
024E 8D 41 17  STA SADD
0251 A2 05     LDX #5        six digits
0253 A9 00     LDA #0        blank unwanted dice
0255 A0 13     LUX #13       right-hand digit
0257 EC 9E 02  LITE CPX COUNT stay blank?
025A B0 08     BCS DARK      yes, skip next part
025C B5 A0     LDA FLAG,X
025E F0 02     BEQ FLITE
0260 F6 AC     INC WINDOW,X  roll display

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0262 B5 AC     FLITE LDA WINDOW,X
0264 8D 40 17  DARK STA SAD
0267 8C 42 17  STY SBD
026A C6 91     STALL DEC ZIP
026C D0 FC     BNE STALL
026E 88 88 CA  DEY DEY DEY
0271 10 E4     BPL LITE
0273 A5 92     LDA TIMER    are we rolling?
0275 F0 89     BEQ START    no, test keys
0277 C6 92     DEC TIMER    time out the roll
0279 D0 D1     BNE NOKEY    not time yet?
027B A6 93     LDX DIE      which die stops?
027D B4 A6     LDX NUMB,X    what number is rolled?
027F B9 E8 1F  LDA TABLE+1,I change to segments
0282 95 AC     STA WINDOW,X and put into display window
0284 D6 A0     WIPE DEC FLAG,X clear flag
0286 D0 FC     BNE WIPE     ..for sure
0288 A2 00     PLACE LDX #0
028A B5 A0     PLAY LDA FLAG,X search for..
028C D0 08     BNE NEXT     ..next rolling die
028E E8        INX
028F EC 9E 02  CPX COUNT
0292 D0 F6     BNE PLAY
0294 F0 B6     BEQ NOKEY    none rolling; quit
0296 A9 50     NEXT LDA #50  timing
0298 85 92     STA TIMER
029A 86 93     STX DIE
029C D0 AE     BNE NOKEY    record next roller
029E 05        COUNT .BYTE 5 and keep going

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TEASER (Shooting Stars) - Jumbo version Jim Butterfield, Toronto

Same rules as for Bob Albrecht's original Teaser; but with a random starting pattern. The object is to invert the starting pattern; so if the board starts out with all nine positions lit, your mission is to turn them all off. If you happen to start with only one position lit, you must try to light all the others.

1 2 3  
4 5 6  
7 8 9

When you accomplish this, the display will signal that you've won. Pressing GO will then give you a new, random, game. If you press GO before you've won, it will take you back to the start of the game you were doing.

Identity of the various positions is shown in the chart at upper right. The usual rules apply: you can select only lit positions, and they will invert all segments in their field of influence. For example, position 5 inverts 2, 4, 5, 6, and 8; position 2 inverts only 1, 2, and 3.

If you want to play a particular board, you can set it up in "segment" form in locations BORD to BORD+2 (addresses 0080 to 0082) and then start the program at BEGIN, location 0217.

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0200 E6 83      START  INC SEED    scramble random number
0202 20 40 1F   JSR KEYIN    ..while GO key is down
0205 D0 F9     RNE START
0207 A2 02     LUX #2        for each digit position..
0209 A5 83     LTA SEED      set random..
020B 48        PHA
020C 29 49     AND #49       ..horizontal segments
020E 95 80     STA BORD,X    ..into board
0210 68        PLA
0211 4A        LSR A         recall random number
0212 09 80     ORA #80       and shift
0214 CA        DEX          setting bit 7
0215 10 F4     BPL IP1

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0217 09 A9 06 ; enter here if BORD is pre-set
0218 01 01 01 BEGIN LDA #6
0219 01 01 01 STA WINDOW create a frame
0220 01 01 01 LDA #30 for the board
0221 01 01 01 STA WINDOW+1,X
0222 01 01 01 LDA WINDOW has this game been won?
0223 01 01 01 CMP #6
0224 01 01 01 RNE START yes, make new board
0225 01 01 01 LDX #2 no, copy board into window
0226 01 01 01 LDA BORD,X
0227 01 01 01 STA WINDOW+1,X
0228 01 01 01 DEX
0229 01 01 01 RPL LP2
0230 01 01 01 LDY #11 initial digit pointer
0231 01 01 01 LDX #4 five digits
0232 01 01 01 LDA #7F directional register
0233 01 01 01 STA PADD
0234 01 01 01 LDA WINDOW,X
0235 01 01 01 STY SBD
0236 01 01 01 STA SAD
0237 01 01 01 LDA #7F delay
0238 01 01 01 SBC #1
0239 01 01 01 PNE ZIP
0240 01 01 01 STA SPD store zero to clear display
0241 01 01 01 DEY DEY set up next ...
0242 01 01 01 DEX .. display position
0243 01 01 01 BPL LITE
0244 01 01 01 JSR KEYIN set directnl reg to immut
0245 01 01 01 CLD
0246 01 01 01 JSR GETKEY key depressed?
0247 01 01 01 CMP #13 GO key?
0248 01 01 01 BEQ GO yes, do GO procedure
0249 01 01 01 CMP #30A no key or greater than 9?
0250 01 01 01 RCS TOP yes, return to display
0251 01 01 01 TAX DEX set X=key - 1
0252 01 01 01 RMI TOP zero key? skip.
0253 01 01 01 STX TEMP = value 0 to 8
0254 01 01 01 LDX #3
0255 01 01 01 DEY divide X by 3 to give:
0256 01 01 01 DEX DEX DEX
0257 01 01 01 BPL KEY
0258 01 01 01 LDA MASK,Y ..segment ID in Y
0259 01 01 01 AND WINDOW+1,X ..digit ID in X (negtv)
0260 01 01 01 BEQ TOP illegal move - return
0261 01 01 01 LDA TEMP Ready to make move:
0262 01 01 01 ASL A Multiply (key-1) by 3
0263 01 01 01 ADC TEMP to set Move Table pointer
0264 01 01 01 TAY into register Y
0265 01 01 01 LDA #849 Set up flag for win test
0266 01 01 01 STA TEMP
0267 01 01 01 LDX #2 Make move by..
0268 01 01 01 LDA WINDOW+1,X
0269 01 01 01 EOR TABL,Y ..EOR'ing move table
0270 01 01 01 STA WINDOW+1,X ..into display
0271 01 01 01 EOR BORD,X
0272 01 01 01 AND TEMP Update win-test flag
0273 01 01 01 STA TEMP
0274 01 01 01 INY DEX on to the next digit
0275 01 01 01 BPL CRN
0276 01 01 01 LDA TEMP Now test for win
0277 01 01 01 CMP #849 all segments OK?
0278 01 01 01 RNE TOP nope, return
0279 01 01 01 ORA WINDOW Add win signal to display
0280 01 01 01 STA WINDOW
0281 01 01 01 LDA #879
0282 01 01 01 STA WINDOW+1,X
0283 01 01 01 BNE TOP
0284 01 01 01 .BYTE 8,40,1
0285 01 01 01 TABL .BYTE 0,41,41,1,1,1,41,41,0,0,0,49
0286 01 01 01 40,49,40,49,0,0,0,48,48,
0287 01 01 01 8,8,8,48,48,0
0288 01 01 01
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# Notes on Jumbo TEASER (Shooting Stars)

Bored by regular TEASER, now that you've figured out the moves? Jumbo TEASER gives you a new problem every time. And each problem is tough - maybe you've forgotten how hard the original game was until you memorized the solution.

Every position generated by the program is solvable, although some are devilishly hard to get. Make a note of the original board diagram - it's easy to forget - together with the desired winning pattern, like this:

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Original board:  * * *      Win on:  * * *
                  * * *      * * *
                  * * *      * * *

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The example above can be solved in five moves ... but you can make around for hundreds of moves trying to find that combination!

To set up the original game of teaser, if you want it, the following coding will do:

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(anywhere in memory) A9 40 LDA #840
                     85 81 STA BORD+1
                     A9 00 LDA #0
                     85 80 STA BORD
                     85 82 STA BORD+2
                     4C 17 02 JMP BEGIN

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If you locate the above coding at 0200 to 020C, the program will play only the "standard" game. Locate it elsewhere, and the first game will be standard; after that, anything goes!

For those who have forgotten the moves, here are the areas of influence for each key:

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1 * * * 2 * * * 3 * * * 4 * * * 5 * * * 6 * * * 7 * * * 8 * * * 9
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ports. First they use F000-FFFF which means that I can't use the KIMATH without relocating the whole program. Secondly, since some S-100 I/O boards use the upper 8 bits of address, the KIMS1 has 7 ports at F200, F400, ... , F600. It would seem more logical to put the I/O in page 21 or thereabouts and gating the lower 8 bits onto the upper 8. This way any I/O board would work and some use would be made of that hole in the KIM memory map. The KIMS1 is still a very good deal and I recommend it to anyone interested in cheap, S-100 memory, I/O etc.

Included with the KIMS1 was a note proposing KIMS1 Notes. They hope to get enough material together about the KIMS1 to fill a newsletter. I think that they should have given you a try and announced the new Notes after they had the material. Besides, they want another \$6.

While I was waiting for the KIMS1, I was using a nice 8k board hooked directly to the KIM. This requires no permanent change to either board.

1. Connect the KIM address bus to the S-100 bus.
2. Connect the KIM data bus to the S-100 data in and out bus.
3. Connect RAM R/W (E2) to pin 8 on IC 78.
4. Connect R/W (E2) to S-100 pin 47.
5. Connect DECODE ENABLE (AK) to pin 5 on IC 75.
6. Remove IC 74 and bend pin 4 out. Replace it so that pin 4 doesn't touch anything.

I wired steps 3 and 5 through unused pins on the S-100 connector. It worked fine with 6 inches of ribbon cable. Perhaps I should mention the board I used. It was the LOGOS-1 from Advanced Microcomputer Products and cost \$219. When I got the KIMS1 I removed the two jumpers and straightened the IC pin and it worked just fine...

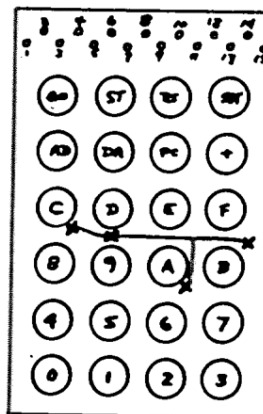
Here's a cure for a KIM problem you may not have even known about from George Wells and Alex Engel at Jet Propulsion Laboratory, 4800 Oak Grove Dr., Pasadena, CA 91103.....

A bug appears in the TTY software of both KIM and TIM which makes it difficult or impossible for either of these devices to receive TTY data at the maximum character rate for any baud rate other than 110 baud. For example, a paper tape loader running at 10 cps (110 baud) will load correctly into KIM but at 30 cps (300 baud) a cross assembler on another computer has trouble loading the op codes into KIM.

The problem stems from the fact that there are two stop bits required for each character at 110 baud but only one stop bit for all other baud rates; and KIM and TIM were both written with the assumption that there will always be two stop bits per character.

Take a look at the "GETCH" (Get Character) subroutine located at 1E5A in KIM and you will see that it calls the 1 bit delay subroutine (JSR DELAY) 9 times and the half-bit delay subroutine (JSR DEHALF) twice for a total of 10 bits of delay. At 110 baud, since there is an extra stop-bit, KIM has at least 9 milliseconds to process the character; but at any other baud rate, KIM has no margins and may eventually lose sync depending on the length of the message, the baud rate, the baud rate drift, the character rate, and other factors which commonly come under the classifications of "gremlins", "noise", or "bad days".

HAVING BOUNCY KEY PROBLEMS with your 'old' style keyboard? You'll be interested in this fixit from ROBERT DAHLSTROM, Harry Diamond Labs, 2800 Powder Mill Rd., Adelphi, MD 20783. This works!



KIM-1 KEYBOARD MODIFICATION

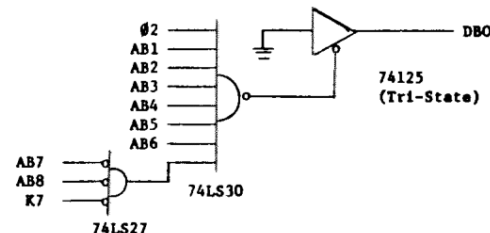
The keyboard on my KIM-1 had the "bouncy" key problem mentioned in User Notes #6. The problem is due to the use of the outer edge of the snap-action discs to jump over the center contact line on the keyboard pc. Since the discs are only held against the pc board with tape, the contact is poor. There are five of these jump-overs in series for the "C" key (four for the "9" key) thereby compounding the problem. To check for the problem, measure the resistance from keyboard pin 3 to pin 15 (numbered from left to right as shown) with the "C" key depressed. It should be less than about 10 ohms.

Fortunately, this problem can be easily corrected. My solution was to solder a thin wire jumper across these poor contacts as follows. Disassemble the keyboard by first removing the four screws on the back of the keyboard at the corners. Then remove the two remaining screws that hold the keyboard to the KIM-1 (note for reassembly that they are longer) being careful not to pull the keyboard pc board away from the KIM-1 board--it's only hanging by the solder at one end. With the KIM-1 up-side-down, separate the black keyboard panel from the keyboard pc board. (Mine snapped off suddenly when gently pried with my fingernail--then I picked up the keys from the floor). After cutting four small holes through the clear tape at the locations indicated by an X in the figure, the lines from "C" to "9", "D" to "9", "A" to "7" and the line to "B" are exposed. Connecting these points by soldering a thin wire between them routed as shown is sufficient to bridge the five potentially poor contacts. Good luck!

HERE'S AN IDEA FROM LEW EDWARDS (NJ)

A tip on using SST function to check out branches. Key FF into 00F1, then test all the BCS, BEQ, BMI & BVS branches. Next key in 00 and check out all the BCC, BNE, BPL & BVC branches. Seems obvious, but if you are like me it might not occur to you.

If this sounds like a familiar problem to you and you're not satisfied with changing the TTY DELAY values at addresses 17F2, 3 (see issue #6, page 8 and 11) try this solution. It would be nice to fix KIM by eliminating the offending JSR DEHALF at address 1E7E. But since we can't do that, we'll do the next best thing which is to change it from a JSR DEHALF to a JSR DEHALF-1 which gives an immediate return from the subroutine. Note that DEHALF is located at 1EEB and at DEHALF-1 (1EEA) there is an RTS from the end of the previous routine. All we need to do is add some hardware to KIM to decode the second byte of the JSR DEHALF instruction and jam the LSB of the data bus to zero at that time. We have used the following circuit to perform this fix.



As mentioned before, TIM has the same problem except that it has a total delay of 10 1/2 bits. However since we are unfamiliar with the operation of TIM we have not tried to fix it.



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Issue 7 & 8, page 16-----pin 14 of the 74193 counters should go ground rather than Vcc.

Issue 7 & 8, page 2-----column 2, line 37 should read "To do this, set \$039C to \$01".

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# SOME CORRECTIONS FOR THE TVT-6 CIRCUIT

The first comment comes from David Byrd, IState Tech. Inst., 5983 Macon Cove, Memphis Tenn 38134

We just interfaced one of PAIA Electronics' TVT-6 video display kits (upper case letters only) to a Kim. While following Popular Electronic's debugging instructions, we noticed that our video monitor was displaying letters which were not complete because they were crowded together. Signal tracing turned up the fact that the LOAD signal was okay but the CLOCK signal presented only 3 cycles per micro-second instead of the specified 6 cycles. I tried replacing C5 (2200 pF) in the clock circuit with a smaller cap. The display looked better but it still needed improvement. After some "cut and try" we ended up with a 390 pF cap and a perfect video display.

Anyone who runs into a similar problem with one of these video display units might want to take note of our experience.

Also from Cass Lewart (12 Georgian Dr., Holmdel, NJ 07733)  
"....I have built Don Lancaster's TVT. It works perfectly except that I changed C5 to 62 pF, and R11 to a 500 ohm pot. You may want to mention that we noticed a missing step in our program MINI DIS (First Book Of Kim). Step #364 should be 68 pF.".....  
Mr. Lewart also mentioned that he would be interested in setting up a program exchange for TVT programs. All you TVT-6 users should get in touch with him if you are interested.

From: Tim Bennett, 309 Mary St, Westerville, Ohio 43081

## DOUBLE YOUR RAM. ADD 1 K, ON-BOARD, TO YOUR KIM-1.

All decoding and buffering is already available on your standard KIM-1 except that "K1" must be Ored with "K0" to enable inverter U16 pin 1. This requires 2 etch cuts, the addition of 2 diodes, 2 resistors, and a jumper along with 8 21L02 ram chips.

The 8 rams will be paralleled with your existing 6102 rams (U5-U12) except for pin 13 (Chip Enable). They could be soldered piggyback directly to the 6102's, however I was afraid this might cause overheating during operation. I chose to use sockets to lift my new rams from the existing to allow for air circulation. Normal chip DIP sockets are too bulky to permit soldering, thus Molex break-away connectors were used and they were perfect for this application.

Some special soldering techniques are required for a neat job on the RAMs. A 16 pin header or DIP socket (not the wire wrap kind) is used as a guide and holder for the molex connectors while soldering. Slip an 8 pin Molex section on each side of the socket with the break-away strip to the outside. Now tin each of the Molex pins with a little solder where contact will be made with existing RAMs, leaving a tail of solder on the outside of the pins.

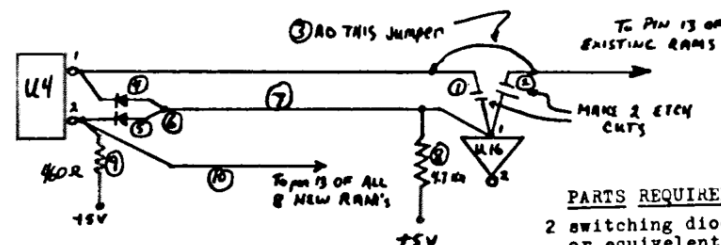
Dab a little soldering paste on each of the pins of the existing RAMs where contact will be made. Fit your socket assembly over an existing RAM. NOTE: don't solder pin 13 in the following step. If your assembly was properly prepared, a quick touch with an UNGAR PRINCESS iron will make a secure connection of each pin. Solder each pin (except pin 13) in this manner. Soldering will be easier if the chisel tip is bent to 45°. Carefully unplug the the guide and detach the break-away strips by twisting back and forth at the scribe mark. Insert a 21L02 in your new socket keeping pin registration the same as the original 6102. Repeat this procedure for the remaining 7 RAMs. Verify that pin 13 of the 21L02's do not make contact with the 6102's.

Now implement the following changes to your "chip select" logic:

1. Cut etch at pin 1 of U16 on component side of pcb.
2. Cut etch at pin 1 of U16 on back side of pcb.
3. Jumper pin 1 of U4 (K0) to pin 13 of U5.
4. Solder cathode (the end with the band) of one of your diodes to pin 1 of U4.
5. Solder cathode of other diode to pin 2 of U4.
6. Connect the anode end of the two diodes together.
7. Wire the anode end of the two diodes to pin 1 of U16
8. Connect a 4.7K resistor from the anode of the diodes to a +5V etch.
9. Connect a 460K resistor from pin 2 of U4 to +5V.
10. Jumper pin 2 of U4 (K1) to pin 13 of all 8 21L02's
11. I brought +5V and GROUND in through both the application and the expansion connectors to carry the extra load.

The address of your second K of ram will be from 0400 to 07ff

I happen to have a supply of Molex strips. For a SASE and \$2.00 I'll send enough for this modification + a few extra. Mail to Tim Bennett, 309 Mary st. Westerville, Ohio 43081.



## PARTS REQUIRED

- 2 switching diodes (2N914) or equivalent
- 1 460K, 1/2 w. resistor
- 1 4.7K, 1/2 w. resistor
- 16 8 pin Molex sockets on break-away sockets P/N 05-30-0008
- 4 30 gauge wire
- 8 21L02 RAMS

## TOOLS REQUIRED

- UNGAR PRINCESS soldering iron
- Soldering paste
- A very steady hand
- Solder
- 1 DIP SOCKET, solder tail or 16 PIN HEADER

Some comments and corrections from John P. Oliver (Dept of Physics, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida 32611)

I have some comments and three corrections for my SUPERDUMP/LOAD routines published in Issue 7/8. a) Following the comment by James Davis in KUN #4, I have found that setting NPUL=\$03 and TIMG+1=\$02 greatly improves the reliability. I have had 100% success on Radio Shack SuperTape certified using Marchants routines from KUN#6. b) The program listing sent to you left out transmission of an EOT character. The instructions LDA #04, JSR OUTCHT should be inserted after the JSR OUTBT at \$016A. This insertion unfortunately changes all the subroutine entry addresses. I will send a complete corrected listing to anyone who sends me a stamped, legal sized envelope. Without the EOT, SUPERLOAD sometimes will not return until the recorder is manually stopped. c) Most users will have recognized that the opcode 60 should be entered at \$029D corresponding to the JSR instruction. My current version has the following code at the end: FO 04 BEQ EXIT This addition results in the error flag being returned C6 CB ERROR DEC LFLG in the accumulator as well as being left at LFLG. Please C6 CB ERROR2 DEC LFLG note. SUPERDUMP/LOAD do not save the A,X,Y registers A5 CB EXIT LDA LFLG and the user is responsible for being sure that his flank 60 RTS is protected. This is not the best programming practice but I was trying for minimum subroutine length. I now have these routines in a more proper form stored in a 2708 EPROM which I have mounted on the KIM-1 board. The address lines are paralleled with those of the 6102's, the data lines are paralleled with the DATAOUT lines of the 6102's. No buffering is needed. I had to replace the inverter in the RAM data buffer enable with a 4-input NAND gate combining K0,K1,K2,K3. I have also 'piggy backed' a set of 2102's on top of the 6102's, daisy chaining the CE's to K1, paralleling all other leads. I am trying to write a short article on this and other modifications I have used on our KIM's to give us KIM-E's (KIM Enhanced). I am not prepared to enter into correspondence on these changes at this time as I am trying to get ready for a 3 month visit to Warsaw for research. I am enclosing listings of START/STOP/WAIT which operate a high current, transistor driven relay in the recorder to start and stop it under program control. WAIT gives a 0.50 second delay which is adequate for my recorder. I only switch the motor power, leaving the electronics on, otherwise more than one second was needed at startup while capacitors charged in the amplifier. Finally, BEEP operates a loudspeaker driven from bit 4 of PED. Entered with \$00 in the A reg. one gets a sliding tone similar to that used for Phaser operation in the APPLE II Star Trek, with \$FF one gets an opposite slide.

#### BEEP ROUTINES FOR SPICA2

LOC	OP	DPND	VALU	STMT	SCURCF	STMT
				0002		NAM :BEEP ROUTINES FOR SPICA2
				0003	:	**** SUPER BEEP ROUTINE ****
				0004	:	'0' IN ACC GIVES 'PHASER', 'FF' IN ACC GIVES BEEP
			1702	0005	PBD	EQU \$1702 :DATA REGISTER B
			1703	0006	PDD	EQU \$1703 :DATA DIRECTION REGISTER B
			00FD	0007	TMPX	EQU \$00FD :USED FOR TEMP STORE OF ACC
1200			0000	0008	ORG	\$1200
1200	25	FD	00FD	0009	BEEP	STA TMPX :SAVE ACC
1202	RA			0010		TAX :SAVE X
1203	48			0011		PHA
1204	98			0012		TYA :SAVE Y
1205	48			0013		PHA
1206	A9	10	0010	0014	LDA	#\$10 :SET UP OUTPUT PORT ...
1208	00	0317	1703	0015	CRA	PBDD :... WITHOUT CHANGING ...
1208	80	0317	1703	0016	STA	PBDD :... OTHER LINES
120E	A0	00	0000	0017	LDR	#\$00
1210	98			0018	BEEP1	TYA
1211	AA			0019		TAX
1212	24	FD	00FD	0020		BIT TMPX :FF? :YES
1214	30	05	1218	0021	BMI	BEEP1
1216	E8			0022	BEEP2	INX
1217	D0	FD	1216	0023	BNE	BEEP2
1219	F0	03	121E	0024	BED	BEEP4
121B	CA			0025	BEEP3	DEX
121C	D0	FD	121B	0026	BNE	BEEP3
121E	A0	0217	1702	0027	LDA	PBD :INVERT OUTPUT BIT
1221	A9	10	0010	0028	ECR	#\$10
1223	80	0217	1702	0029	STA	PBD
1226	28			0030	CFY	
1227	D0	E7	1210	0031	BNE	BEEP1
1229	68			0032	PLA	
122A	A8			0033	TAX	:RESTORE Y
122B	68			0034	PLA	
122C	AA			0035	TAX	:RESTORE X
122D	A5	FD	00FD	0036	LDA	TMPX
122F	60			0037	RTS	:RETURN

#### START/STOP/WAIT ROUTINE

LOC	OP	DPND	VALU	STMT	SCURCF	STMT
				0002		NAM START/STOP/WAIT ROUTINE
				0003	:	**** START/STOP/WAIT ROUTINES FOR MAG TAPE ****
			1702	0004	PED	EQU \$1702 :DATA REGISTER B
			1703	0005	PDD	EQU \$1703 :DATA DIRECTION REGISTER B
			0000	0006	ORG	\$11C0
11C0				0007	START	PHA
11C0	48			0008		LDA PHDD :SAVE ACC
11C1	A9	0317	1703	0009		ORA #320 :SET UP OUTPUT FOR ...
11C4	09	20	0020	0010		STA PHDD :... MAG TAPE CONTROL
11C6	80	0317	1703	0011		LDA PHD
11C9	A9	0217	1702	0012		AND #0FF :PUT '0' ON PORT ...
11CC	29	0F	00DF	0013		STA PHD :... WITHOUT CHANGING ...
11CF	80	0317	1702	0014		PLA :... OTHER LINES
11D1	48			0015		BNE WAIT :RESTORE ACC
11D2	D0	0C	11F0	0016		BFD WAIT :WAIT 0.500 SECONDS
11D4	F0	0A	11E0	0017	STOP	PHA
11D6	48			0018		LDA PHD :SAVE ACC
11D7	A9	0317	1702	0019		CRA #320 :PUT '1' ON PORT ...
11DA	09	20	0020	0020		STA PHD :... WITHOUT CHANGING ...
11DC	80	0317	1702	0021		FLA :... OTHER LINES
11DF	68			0022	WAIT	PHA :SAVE ACC
11E0	48			0023		TAX :SAVE X
11E1	8A			0024		PHA
11E2	48			0025		TYA :SAVE Y
11E3	98			0026		PHA
11E4	48			0027		LDR #5CB :WAIT 195 *255 LOOPS
11E5	A0	C8	00C8	0028		LDR #500
11E7	A7	00	0000	0029	WAIT1	ECL
11E9	2A			0030		ECL
11EA	2A			0031		RCL
11EB	2A			0032		DEX
11EC	CA			0033		BNE WAIT1
11ED	D0	FA	11F9	0034		DEY
11EF	88			0035		BNE WAIT1
11F0	D0	F7	11E9	0036		PLA
11F2	68			0037		TAX
11F3	A8			0038		PLA :RESTORE Y
11F4	68			0039		TAX
11F5	AA			0040		FLA :RESTORE X
11F6	68			0041		RTS :RESTORE ACC
11F7	60					:RETURN

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